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## Gov't employees sentenced for theft of rice

The long drawn-out trial of four former government employees charged with larceny and aiding and abetting in the larceny of 130 bags of government rice worth more than \$24,000 came to an end at Kowloon yesterday when Mr. F. G. d'Almada sentenced Ho Wai-lam, alias William Ho, and his 25-year-old son, Ho Tin-sing, to two years' hard labour on the larceny charge.

Ho Wai-lam was the former cargo supervisor of the Department of Supplies and Distribution, Rice Section, while his son was a tally clerk at the Rice Section.

Cheung Lun, cook at the Hing Yick Rice Depot, and Cheung Kwan, coolie at the Depot, charged with aiding and abetting in the offence, were convicted and discharged. In discharging them the Magistrate took into consideration the time they had been in police custody.

Ho's son was accused of stealing 130 bags of rice from the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company in Jordan Road last September 23.

Mr. M. A. da Silva represented Ho Wai-lam, while Mr. A. S. C. Comber represented Ho Tin-sing. Mr. J. C. Stewart entered the case.

## Court Brevities

Charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with demanding money with menaces and with being a member of an unlawful triad society, Shing Fong-ching, aged 28, unemployed, pleaded guilty to both charges.

He was remanded 24 hours for the Police to conclude their inquiries.

Detective Sub-Inspector R. G. Laurel said that defendant was seen on Saturday morning approaching a peanut vendor, O'Brien Road. He demanded \$10 from Chan Fook, the peanut vendor, saying that if he did not pay up he would be assaulted. Defendant was arrested and after further inquiries at the Police Station it was revealed that he was a member of the unlawful Tung San Wo Triad Society.

An application for the confiscation of a .38 Smith and Wesson revolver was granted by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

In applying for the confiscation, Sub-Inspector Fuen said that at 2.10 p.m. on Friday, a workman was repairing the water-tank on the roof of 371, King's Road.

After the water had run from the tank, the man found the revolver in the sediment at the bottom of the tank.

Chan Hung-sang, aged 29, a remand-prisoner, who escaped from the Remand Prison on March 4, at 6.30 a.m., was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday when he pleaded guilty to a charge of escaping from custody.

Committal proceedings against Chau Ming, alias Ah So, 37 Tal Sun Street, Cheung Chau Island, charged with possession of arms and ammunition, were heard before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Prosecution, conducted by Detective Sub-Inspector K. C. Cheng, alleged that on February 6, defendant was attempting to sell a .38 Smith and Wesson revolver and 12 rounds of ammunition for \$240 to a fellow islander who informed the police. Defendant was arrested after a trap was set by the police.

After corroborative evidence was given by three witnesses hearing was adjourned until tomorrow.

C. F. Hun, merchant of 302 Des Voeux Road, Central, was fined \$1,500 by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday for importing 25.5 taels of gold without a permit.

Two bars of the gold which defendant did not produce when asked by revenue inspectors at Kai Tak on Sunday were confiscated while the rest of six bars were returned to him. Revenue Inspector F. Fowler said that he was not pressing the case, and that defendant was on his way to Macao from Hoihow.

On a charge of being destitute, four men, Leung Chuen-yau of Nam Tung, Ng Koon-chung of On Long, Chan Kwai of Tin Lok, and Cheung Ping of Tin Pak, were ordered to be returned to their respective countries by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Defendants explained that when they were picked up by Lieutenant Cumming of the Royal Navy, aboard a sloop in Tsim Sha Tsui Harbour on Saturday, they were penniless after having been stranded by Chinese soldiers in the vicinity of Ling Tin Islands.

Pleading not guilty to a charge of possession of 64 ounces of raw heroin two Northern Chinese men, Shui Chi-hing and Lai Ching, were committed by Mr. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday for hearing on March 21.

at a late stage of the trial when he appeared for Cheung Lun and Cheung Kwan. Mr. A. S. C. Comber held a watching brief on behalf of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company throughout the trial.

Mr. A. A. Shaw, Assistant Superintendent of Police attached to the Anti-Corruption Branch, assisted by Inspector Hui Hung-cheung, prosecuted.

The trial of the men was begun on November 14. It was alleged that first and second defendants on the afternoon of September 23 hired three lorries, went to the godown and took out 130 bags of rice and that third and fourth defendants were there to help convey the rice to two rice shops in Shanghai Street.

On December 20 Mr. Comber entered a plea of guilty on behalf of Ho Tin-sing when the prosecution closed its case.

### Serious offence

In imposing the two-year sentence on first and second defendants, Mr. d'Almada remarked that he could not stress too strongly the seriousness of their offence as they were employees of the Government. He added that by stealing the rice and selling it to the blackmarket, they helped in pushing the price of rice up.

Ho Wai-lam is facing another charge of stealing 50 bags of rice stored at the Green Island Cement Godown belonging to the Economic Co-operation Administration of the United States, on July 20 last.

Charged with him is Leung Pui-sang, No. 1 godown keeper of the Green Island Cement Godown. Another defendant is Law Cheong, No. 1 godown keeper of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, charged with aiding and abetting in the theft.

Mr. Shaw asked for a separate trial for this client on whose behalf he pleaded guilty. He asked leniency for his client saying that at the time of the crime defendant was only making \$200 and that he had a wife, who was pregnant at the time, and a mother to support.

He pleaded that defendant be dealt with as Cheung Lun and Cheung Kwan as he was only a catfish in the case.

Mr. Shaw told the Court that on July 20 last two orders, signed by the Rice Controller, were given to take out 20 bags of rice sweepings from the Green Island Cement Godown. The orders were for nine bags and 11 bags. Ho Wai-lam and defendant were alleged to have altered the order for nine and took out 50 bags of good rice.

Leung Pui-sang was given nine months' imprisonment with an alternative fine of \$1,500.

Ho Wai-lam and Law Cheong will be brought up to plead on their respective charges on Thursday.

## Committal hearings in murder case

Committal hearings began before Mr. Thomas Tam at Central yesterday against Pun Kam, aged 36, charged with the alleged murder of Wu Ting-foi alias Wu Lai on December 22 at the PWD Waterworks living quarters at Pokfulam.

Detective Sub-Inspector Taylor said that deceased, Wu Ting-foi, alias Wu Lai, was a coolie employed by the Waterworks Department at Shouson Hill water-tank.

In March, 1949, he became acquainted with Wong Yung, an earth-coolie, and wife of the accused Pun Kam.

About this time accused arrived in Hong Kong from the country and found his wife residing in Wong Chung Hing Village. In June Wong Yung advised her husband the accused, to return to the country and on his departure, he again associated with Wu.

Accused returned to Hong Kong in September and learned of the affair between his wife and deceased. On November 22, after consulting several of his clanmen, Pun informed his wife that he was taking her back to the country. That evening Wong Yung went to the deceased's residence and told him of her departure. On his suggestion, Wong remained

## Reminders

### Today

Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg, 4.15 p.m.  
HK Rotary Luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
European YMCA, Bridge Drive, 4 p.m.  
History of English handwriting exhibition, at British Council Library, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. annual general meeting, Telephone House, 12 noon.  
Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.  
HK Light Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 8.45 p.m.  
Cheong Services Club, Whist Drive, 8 p.m.

### Coming Events

#### TOMORROW

Diocesan Girls School concert, at School premises, 8.15 p.m.  
Toe H. meeting, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
European YMCA Services Spot-light, 9 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
European YMCA Debating Society, debate on "That This House Favors Abolition of the Death Penalty in Britain", 8.45 p.m.  
HK Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, meeting, at China Fleet Club Theatre, 5.30 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

Kowloon Rotary Club weekly luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.  
Y's Men's Club, annual general meeting, Cosmo Club, 7.30 p.m.  
HK Women's International Club, informal dance for Servicemen, 7.30 p.m.  
British Council weekly film show Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

## TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Captain David Lister Roberts, aged 33, of the Commandos, stationed at the Lyman Barracks was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with driving a motor-cycle No. 747, along King's Road near the Health Village. When asked for his licence he admitted that he had no Hong Kong licence.

Sub-Inspector Yuen said that at 5.50 p.m. on Saturday the defendant was stopped by the Police while he was driving motor-cycle No. 747, along King's Road near the Health Village. When asked for his licence he admitted that he had no Hong Kong licence.

Captain Roberts said that he had an English licence issued in Cornwall. He had bought the cycle in December but had become ill and was in the hospital for a month. When he recovered he had forgotten to obtain a licence from the Hong Kong Police.

In cautioning him, Mr. Lo said that the Rules and Regulations of the Colony were specifically made for the benefit and welfare of all the citizens of the Colony and a breach of them could mean a fine of \$1,000.

Pan Shuan-chin, aged 33, a recent arrival from America, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with driving on Saturday, car No. 3419 at 10.30 p.m. along King's Road, near the Health Village without a valid licence.

He was fined \$100. He was advised by the Court to employ a chauffeur so he could exchange his American licence for a local one.

## Government to spend \$20 million on education

The estimated cost of the Colony's education in the coming year is \$20,000,000. This is made up of such figures as \$5,000,000 for Government Schools; \$8,000,000 for Grant-aided Schools; \$2,300,000 for Subsidised Schools; \$4,300,000 for new buildings and other amounts for loans, assistance, the University, etc.

Of these, \$5,000,000 only shows as the estimate for the Education Department, whereas a further \$11,000,000 to be spent on schools are hidden in Subventions and the rest in the Public Works Vote.

This arrangement has produced confusion in the public mind with regard to the provision for Education in the Colony Budget and is exemplified by the following recent statement in the "Wen Wei Pao". "The estimate for education was only \$5,000,000 while that for the police was \$15,000,000."

It adds: "If they were truly utilising education as a means of reducing crime in our society and truly believe in their own explanation of the word, why do they not interchange the estimates of police and education?" Were that done, Education would receive \$8,000,000 less.

School broadcasts started on February 28. The programme have been selected from the BBC Broadcasts to schools and seem, in the main, to be suited only to the highest classes of our secondary schools. The purpose of the broadcasts is to give local schools the opportunity to test out reception, pupil reaction and to appraise both the value of the material and the suitability of the language. The Education Department welcomes comments from listening schools.

Hong Kong's water supply is strained by the ever-increasing population. The Director of Education in a recent circular to schools has underlined the fact that conservation of water is one of our civic duties. Following the circular three lessons on the Colony's water supply and the best means of using it economically were supplied to every school.

A reasonable comparative essay could be written about "Education and indoctrination." The comparison might well include that of sane health and the fanatic zeal produced by drugs. Indoctrination of selected students becomes necessary if Communist cells are to act successfully in our schools. In the past a certain number of students misguidedly went or were enticed to leave the Colony for such indoctrination.

The beginning of active political propaganda comes from pupils who call themselves students, and who form small so-called "Study Groups." Where these exist so do politics. Parents who wish their children to go to school to learn to face life in a free world should beware of Student Study Groups and Students Self Governing Bodies.

## Ta Hing Pier overhauled

Looking resplendent in fresh green, with fluorescent illumination, the new Ta Hing Pier is now one of the attractive sights along the Connaught Road Quay.

Formerly the Tung On Pier, serving river vessels of the Tak Kee Company, the premises are being overhauled and equipped with modern facilities for the disembarkation and embarkation of passengers travelling between Hong Kong and Macao.

The pier provides berths for the Ta Hing Company's fleet of river and coastal steamers—ss. Sing Hing, ss. San Antonio, and ss. Cheung Hing.

The pier changed hands on February 17 when the company, obtained Government tender for a year's lease. The pier was offered to the public after their leases expired last year.

The others were the Po Tak Pier and Hoi On Pier. Both served Hong Kong-Macao river vessels.

The Ta Hing Company is putting in a recently overhauled steamer, the Cheung Hing, back on the Macao service. Equipped with modern amenities usually found in luxurious establishments ashore, the Cheung Hing will operate on daily schedules to and from Hong Kong.

### DOG LICENCES

Owners of dogs should renew their licences before end of the month, after which date failure to comply with this order may result in prosecution.

All dogs now require a Government anti-rabies inoculation permit or an inoculation certificate signed by an approved veterinary surgeon dated within the previous month, before a licence can be issued or renewed.

### BIF EXHIBITS

Exhibits for the British Industries Fair will be displayed at the Office of the Director of Commerce and Industries, 2nd floor, First Brigade Building, today, at 4 p.m.

## Exhibition of English handwriting

Many specimens of English handwriting, tracing it as a fine art from the earliest times, were exhibited by the British Council yesterday at its new offices in the Gloucester Hotel.

The exhibition was assembled in London with the assistance of an advisory committee of distinguished experts. It traces the development of English handwriting from Roman times, about 100 A.D. to the present day.

The examples are confined to exhibits drawn from within Great Britain. Fine examples of Early Christian book-hands are shown, illustrating their formative effect on the Caroline minuscule of the 8th century, from which in turn most contemporary forms of European writing and printing are derived.

Pages from the Winchester Bible are included, showing the grandeur of English book production in the 12th Century. These are followed by examples of both ecclesiastical and lay hands from the 13th, 14th and 15th centuries.

### Italian influence

The important influence of the Italian writing masters in the 16th century is shown by a group of examples including a copy of a letter of Queen Elizabeth, a page of writing generally agreed to be that of Shakespeare as shown as a hand unaffected by Renaissance influence.

Illustrations from the 17th century include letters from Oliver Cromwell and King James II, the latter being in a style that foreshadows the handwriting of a much later date.

The 18th and 19th centuries show examples from poets, men of letters and statesmen, including Samuel Johnson, Burns, Carlyle and Hardy.

### DGS CONCERT

Pupils of the Diocesan Girls School will give a concert of vocal and instrumental music at the school tomorrow at 8.15 p.m. The School Choir will render songs by Haydn, Purcell, Bach, Thomas Morley, etc.

The vocal, violin and piano solos will be selected from the works of famous composers. Mr. W. J. Hansen, Huang, well-known Chinese tenor, will be the guest artist.

The concert has been arranged by the Diocesan Schools' Director of Music, Mr. S. Gordon Hemery. Tickets \$5 and \$3 each, may be obtained from the School.

### BATHING HUTS

Closing time for private applications in respect of bathing huts or sites on Middle and South Bay beaches is at 12 noon tomorrow.

All applications forms should be returned to the Secretary, Urban Council, before that time for inclusion in the ballot.

The defendants, Thomas Oliver Morgan, aged 37, a PWD official residing at Tai Tam Bungalow, Charles William Sargison, teacher, aged 44 of 12 Leighton Hill Road, sixth floor, Alexander Bremner Stewart, aged 28, salesman of 353 The Peak and Chief Petty Officer Stovell, aged 35, of HMS Black Swan, faced three charges.

They were charged with having maliciously caused damage to tables and other articles at the King Fu Restaurant to the value of \$30, disturbing the inhabitants of the restaurant by knocking at the door and obstructing a police officer, Sub-Inspector Tan Tak-shing, the specimens of his duty. Morgan and Stovell pleaded guilty to all charges and were fined \$80 each and ordered to pay compensation of \$15 each. Sargison and Stewart pleaded not guilty to the charges.

## Shanghai men charged with robbery

Before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday committal proceedings began against six men, all from Shanghai, charged on three counts of robbery, two counts of receiving stolen property and one of possession of ammunition without a licence.

The six men were: Ku Yui-to, aged 23, carpenter, To Muk-sang, aged 37, Kang Hoi-tan, aged 20, painter, Chiang Kam-kau, aged 31, carpenter, Chiu Leung-wa, aged 24, carpenter, and Sit Sing-lam, aged 28, painter.

Only the second accused, To Muk-sang, was legally represented. He is being defended by Mr. A. C. Arculli.

A seventh man, Kung Kau-to, was discharged as the Police offered no evidence against him. All the six men are charged with taking part in a robbery on December 31 at 412 Lockhart Road, ground floor, when Luk Chai was robbed of two gold rings and Chan Kam-sang robbed of HK\$2,000.

The second accused is charged with the alleged receiving of HK\$127 and also receiving a watch.

The third accused is charged with the alleged possession of four rounds of ammunition at Sing Wo Road on January 1.

The second, third, fifth and sixth accused are charged with taking part in an armed robbery on December 16 at 482 Lockhart Road, third floor, when Luk Xing-lan was robbed of gold ring and Wong Chuen-chuen was robbed of a gold chain, three gold rings and HK\$123.

The third and fifth accused are also charged with the alleged robbing of one Tooi of a necklace and a watch and jewellery and money to a value of which amounted to HK\$3,950.

Detective Inspector C. Pope prosecuted and recounted how the police had captured the accused.

On December 31, three men had entered the ground floor of 112, Lockhart Road and had taken money and valuables.

### Pistol found

The Police arrived and on checking the Ferry wharves one of the inmates of 412, Lockhart Road recognised the first accused as having taken part in the robbery. He was arrested and on his information a felt hat in which was a pistol was found on the staircase of 306 Lockhart Road.

Later the first accused took the police to 336, Lockhart Road where the second accused was found under a pillow HK\$127 were found and also two pawn tickets.

Later, still the police were taken to an unnumbered hut in Shing Wo Road where the third accused was found sleeping. Under the wooden floor was found a hole and four rounds of ammunition were found wrapped in a piece of newspaper.

The third accused was taken back to the Police Station and the hut was kept under observation by detectives.

Later the fifth accused was arrested when he returned to the hut. The fifth accused, when questioned took the police to where they found the fourth accused. Later the sixth accused was also arrested.

After further evidence of the arrests of the accused had been given by the Police who had formed the search party the case was adjourned until tomorrow.

## Europeans charged in fracas at restaurant

Four Europeans were charged at Central yesterday before Mr. A. D. Scholes with creating a disturbance at King Fu Restaurant early on Sunday morning.

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According to the prosecution the four defendants on Sunday at 1.30 a.m. went to the King Fu Restaurant after it had been closed.

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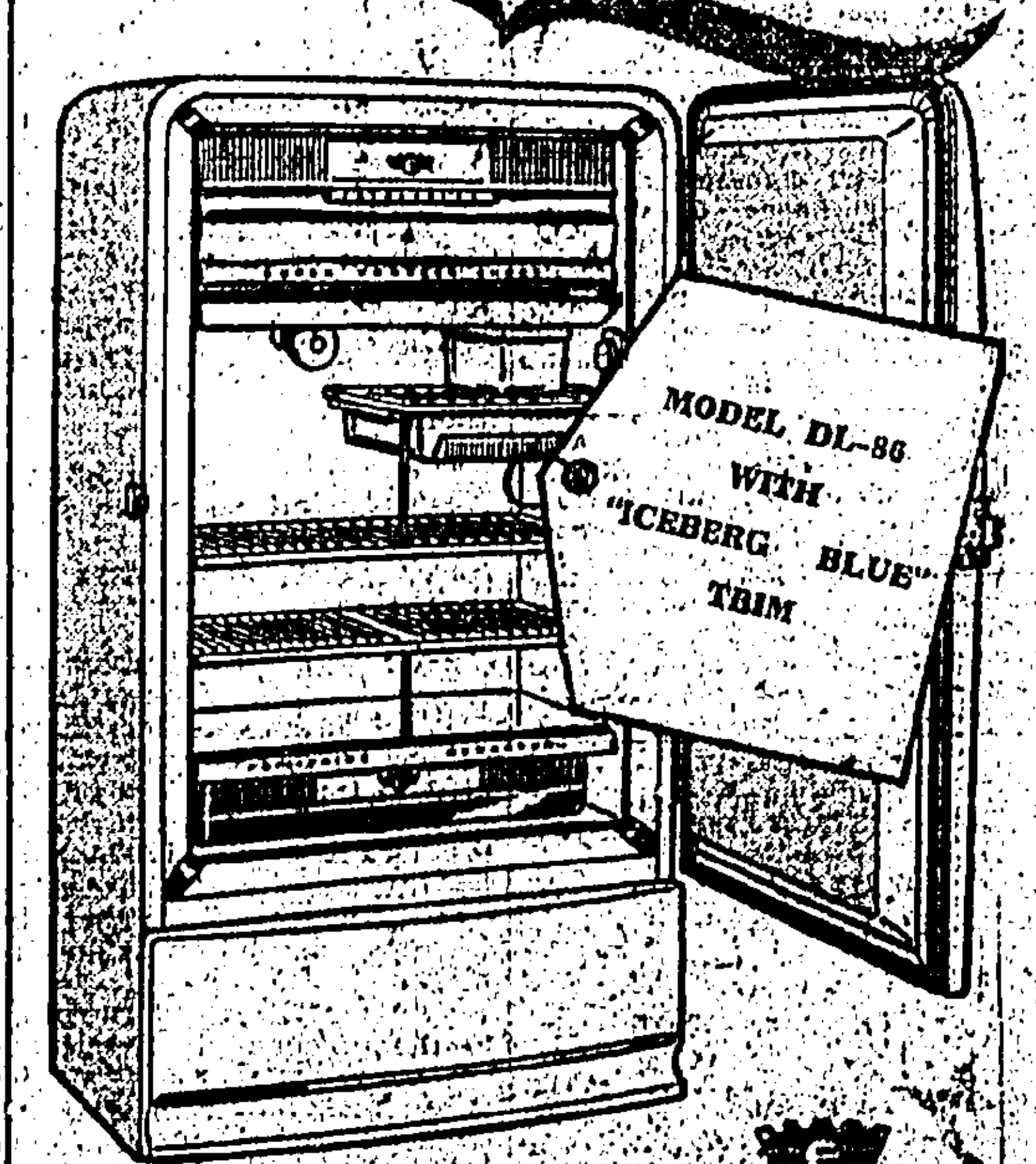
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## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, will be held at its Registered Offices, Telephone House, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 14th March, 1950, at 12.15 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be held at noon on that date shall have been concluded) for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

- (1) "That the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of H.K.\$5,000,000 divided into 500,000 shares of H.K.\$10.00 each (of which 300,000 shares have been issued) to H.K.\$10,000,000 by the creation of 500,000 additional shares of the nominal value of H.K.\$10.00 each and that the unissued shares of the Company's Capital and such additional shares as aforesaid shall be issued at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

If the foregoing Resolution is passed—

- (2) "That it is desirable to capitalise the sum of H.K.\$2,000,000.00, being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a special Capital Bonus of H.K.\$3,000,000.00 be declared and that such Bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 27th February, 1950, were the holders of the 300,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 300,000 shares of the Company of H.K.\$10.00 each and that such 300,000 shares credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to such persons in the proportion of one such share for every one of the said 300,000 shares then held by such persons respectively, and that the shares so distributed shall be treated for all purposes as an increase of the nominal amount of the Capital of the Company held by each Shareholder and not as income and that such shares shall rank for Dividend from the 1st January, 1950."

By Order of the Board of Directors.  
J. S. C. NEEL,  
General Manager & Secretary.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1950.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Telephone House, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 14th March, 1950, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949, to confirm the appointment of a Director, to re-elect a Director and to appoint Auditors.

AND NOTICE is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the same place on the same day at the conclusion of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:—

"That the Board of Directors of the Company be requested not to exercise, for the time being, their power to offer the unissued capital of the Company to existing shareholders and that their Press announcement dated the 8th March, 1949, shall accordingly be regarded as withdrawn."

By Order of the Board,  
A. SOMMERFELT,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 6, 1950.

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Notice is hereby given that the Forty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 17th day of March, 1950, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949.
2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1949.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

## CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 4th March, 1950 to the 17th March, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
G. B. S. THOMSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 23, 1950.

## THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, 17th March, 1950, at 12.20 p.m., or at such time as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting to be held at the same place at Noon shall terminate, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following as a Special Resolution, viz:—

"That the Authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$1,000,000.00 consisting of 100,000 Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each, of which 80,000 Shares have been issued) be increased to \$2,000,000.00 by the creation of 1,000,000 additional Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each, and that such Shares be issued at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. B. S. THOMSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 21, 1950.

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## ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, March 15, 1950, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending December 31, 1949, and for the appointment of Auditors and Declaration of Dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from March 8 to March 15, 1950 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,  
D. S. YUAN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 7, 1950.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS Ordinary Yearly Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the office of Messrs Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Friday, the 31st day of March, 1950, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1949.
2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1949.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

## CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 18th March, 1950 to the 31st March, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

G. B. S. THOMSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 13, 1950.

## NOTICE

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on Friday, 24th March, 1950, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts for the period ended 31st October, 1949, and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 9th March, 1950, to Friday, 24th March, 1950, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, LIMITED,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong,  
Dated this March 3, 1950.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 4th Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 25th March, 1950, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 16th March, 1950.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Secretary

## BRITISH PROBLEMS AT RIO

London, March 12.  
One of the many problems confronting the Football Association in connection with the England team to compete in the finals of the World Soccer Cup at Rio in June is the type and weight of the equipment to be worn.

It is estimated that an English League footballer carries nearly 10 pounds in excess weight in the form of a heavy shirt and shorts, thick stockings, shinguards and padding, ankle bandages, cotton-wool padding of the instep and heavy leather boots.

A Continental player turns out in silk shirt, very brief shorts, thin short stockings, light-weight boots and very rarely wears shinguards or cotton-wool padding—altogether a weight of about four pounds.

Tackling on the Continent and in South America is not nearly so severe as in English League and Cup soccer, and extra protection is hardly necessary.

The absence of padding also gives a player more freedom of movement and allows him to get a better "feel" of the ball. This is borne out by the fine ball control exercised by most Continental players.

In view of this and the climatic conditions likely to be met in Rio, English players, it is expected, will be instructed to cut down as much weight in equipment as possible.

It is practically certain that the canvas lightweight boot will be used after successful experiment which have been made by the Football Association lately.

Silk shirts may also be ordered because they allow a player to perspire freely yet keep him warm. One suggestion with regard to the hat problem is that the England players get together for training spells in a large steam-heated arena on a specially prepared bone-hard pitch similar to those used in South America.—Reuter.

## Australian beats Jap swim mark

New York, March 12.  
Three world swimming records were bettered in the United States last night, two of them by John Marshall, the Australian Olympic swimmer now studying at Yale University.

Marshall, competing for Yale against Harvard at New Haven, Connecticut, won the 440 yard freestyle in 4 mins. 34.8 secs. It beat by 8/10ths of a second his own world record made a week ago.

In the same event, he swam the 400 metres in 4 mins. 33.1 secs. to better by 2/10ths of a second the world mark set last August by Hiroshige Furushashi, of Japan.

Bob Brauner, of Princeton, clipped 16 seconds off Joe Verdine's world 200 yards breast-stroke record, returning 2 min. 13.1 secs while swimming against Dartmouth at Princeton, New Jersey.—Reuter.



## CARNIVAL By Dick Turner



"Now let's not be panicky—we'll file out according to seniority!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

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## WHAT ARE THE ODDS?

IN ALL doubtful bridge decisions, you should weigh one set of odds against another. What are the chances that the considered move will work? That is the first half of the equation. The other half involves how much you may gain as against how much you may lose by the try. If you have a good chance of winning three times as great as your possible loss, you should make the attempt even if its chances of failure are 2 to 1.

S K 6 5 3  
H A K 2  
D 6 5 3  
C 7 6 3

S A Q J 8 4 2  
H J 4  
D Q J 10  
C Q J

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable.)

North: East: South: West:  
Pass: Pass: 1 S: Pass:  
2 S: Pass: 4 S: Pass:

West disliked leading away from either minor ace, which might establish a king for the declarer, and also feared a trump would prove what South most desired. So from a choice of evils he chose the heart 6.

Now South studied his problem. He saw two losers in each minor, enough to beat his contract. The sole chance was to

play the heart 2 on the lead, luckily had East not holding the Q and winning with the J. He then could take out trumps, discard a club on the heart honours and thus limit his losers to three.

But he decided the odds were against West having the heart Q, as nobody likes to underlead an honour against a suit bid. So he won the heart lead with the K, removed trumps and took his punishment of down one.

After the deal, North reasoned with South. If the other play had been tried and failed, South would have lost an additional 100 points. But if it had worked, he would have made a game worth over 600 points. So the possible gain was at least 6 to 1 over the possible loss. Surely the odds that West did not have the Q were not that great. So South should have tried the play.

Tomorrow's Problem

S J 7  
H A 9 5  
D 5 4 3  
C K 10 7 4 3

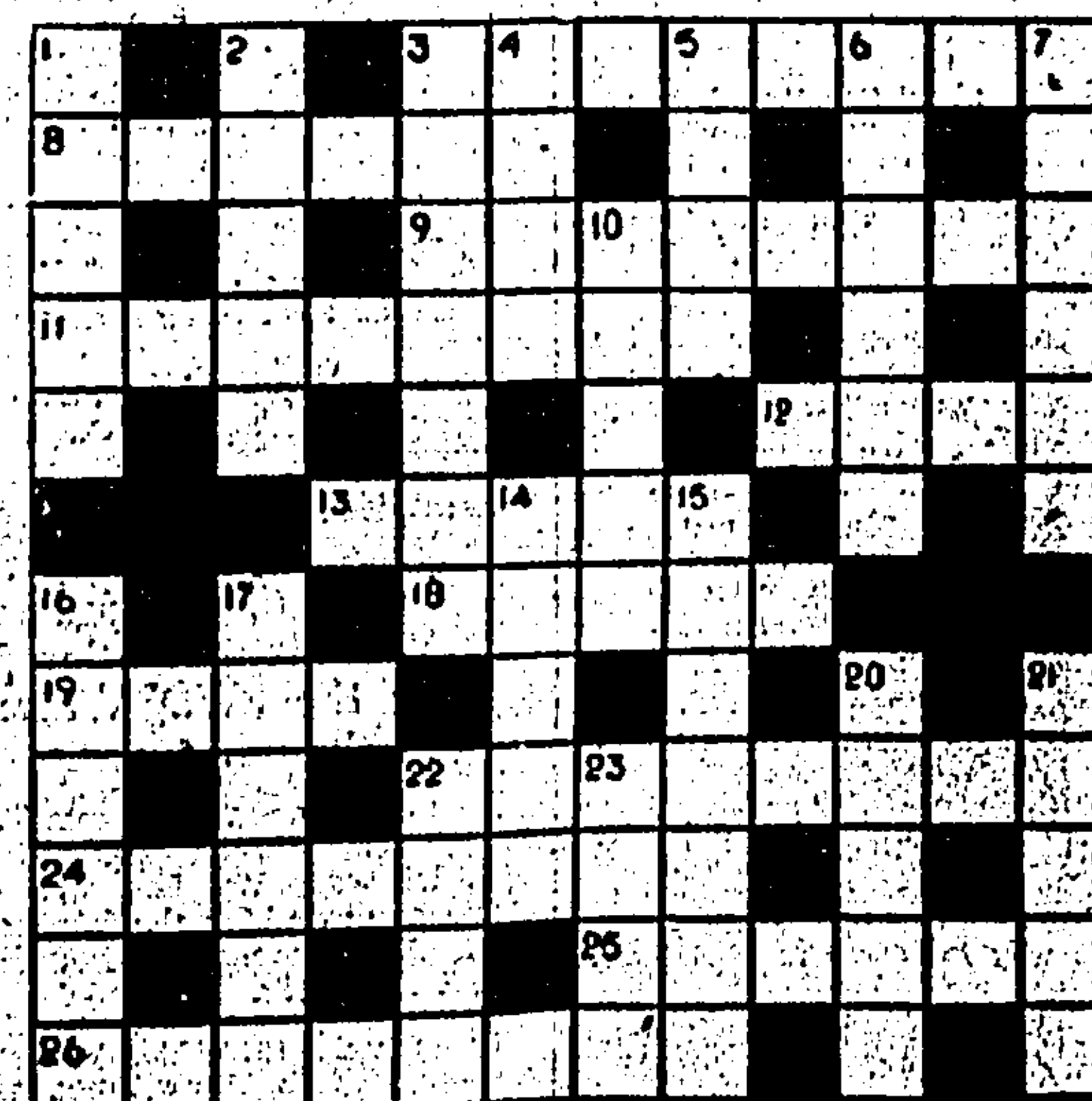
S 10 8 6 4 2  
H K Q 8 2  
D 10 9  
C A 6

S A 9 8  
H 7  
D A K J 8 7 6 2  
C 9 5

(Dealer: West. North-South vulnerable.)

If North doubles West's 4-Spades, what is the correct defence?

## A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



## Across

- 3 Torpid.
- 5 Far away.
- 9 Familiar.
- 11 Generally recognised.
- 12 Fond.
- 13 Far off.

## Down

- 1 Wide.
- 2 Fishing vessel.
- 3 Remunerated.
- 4 Advanced.
- 5 Grating.
- 6 Statute.
- 7 Purport.
- 14 Hammer.
- 15 Proffered.
- 16 Ridden.
- 17 Cattleman.
- 18 Temporary.
- 19 Stopped.
- 21 Dried.
- 22 Embarked.
- 23 Mountainous.

## Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 1. Seconded. 2. Scene. 3. Faintly. 4. Rained. 5. Praised. 6. Side. 7. Mottled. 8. Nostrum. 9. Once. 10. Glasses. 11. Nature. 12. Direction. 13. Leave. 14. Externity. 15. Down. 16. Usurp. 17. Admire. 18. Seize. 19. Open. 20. Detail. 21. Delivered.

Down: 1. Animus. 2. Alarm. 3. Bate. 4. Domino. 5. Black. 6. Dearth. 7. Rural. 8. Sewer. 9. Bench.









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## LONDON LOOKS FOR PEACE OFFENSIVE FROM RUSSIANS

London, March 12.

Observers here today are looking carefully for any sign of a peace offensive by Soviet leaders in their campaign speeches during the past week for the elections to the Supreme Soviet, in which Russia's millions voted today.

It appears that the main emphasis in the foreign policy section of the election speeches has been on peaceful competition between the capitalist and socialist worlds, coupled with denunciations of capitalism and assurances that the Soviet system must triumph.

Leading members of the Soviet Government have campaigned on the lines that the Soviet Union stands for peace while the West plans aggression and threatens a hydrogen bomb war.

Politburo members—M. Molotov, Marshal Voroshilov, M. Malenkov and M. Beria among them—have emphasised the theme that capitalism and socialism can live side by side in the previous general elections of 1937 and 1946.

So far there has been no report of a Stalin speech last night.

The Soviet Union will use atomic energy for building and defending Communism, the Soviet Deputy Premier, M. Lazar Kaganovich, proclaimed in an Election Day statement to Russia's millions as they voted today for a new Supreme Soviet.

"Stalin's instructions that our science must not only lag behind but overtake bourgeois science is being carried out," he told electors, according to a Tass, the official Soviet news agency, dispatch received in London.

"Such an important fact as the mastering of the secret of obtaining atomic energy by Soviet

scientists bears witness to the considerable achievements of Soviet science, constantly surrounded by the care and attention of the Soviet Government, the Party and Comrade Stalin personally," he went on.

Himself a candidate in the general election being held all over the Soviet Union, the Deputy Premier said that the incomes of Soviet factory and office workers in 1949 were 20 per cent higher than in 1940 and the incomes of the peasants was more than 30 per cent higher.

"Izvestia" article  
Sergei Gerasimov, film director and a member of the Soviet Peace Committee, in an article in "Izvestia" today took exception to John Rogge's recent speech to the Supreme Soviet of the Kremlin, in which Rogge attributed basic Soviet-American conflicts to mountains of fear.

Gerasimov said: "We can hardly agree with Rogge's analysis of the situation. Perhaps politicians like Congressman John McCormack scare certain Americans with the bogey of 'Communist aggression,' but we cannot believe that many millions of American people, possessing eyes and ears, capable of comparing fact with slander, can unqualifiedly accept such ridiculous, absurd fabrications. We think the telling masses of the United States don't see those 'mountains of fear' mentioned in Rogge's speech."

As for the Russians, he said, "The Soviet people repeatedly showed in deed that fear is a little-known emotion."

Gerasimov strongly denounced the U.S. State Department's refusal of visas to the World Peace Partisans Committee, saying American officials did not want peace and were afraid to talk peace.

At the same time, "Pravda" gave prominence to a Tass dispatch from New York, reporting the rapid growth of the peace movement. It said people were writing thousands of letters to Congress, demanding solution of the Soviet-American conflict and insisting on a ban on atomic warfare.

**Montague letter**  
"Pravda" also prominently displayed Ivo Montague's open letter to the U.S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson. Montague is the British member of the Peace Committee and he pointed out that President Truman knew that Josef Stalin was many years older than himself and could not travel by air or sea, yet President Truman had refused to meet Marshal Stalin anywhere but in Washington.

All newspapers published Montague's letter to the London "Daily Worker," in which he placed the whole blame for lack of Soviet-American discussions on Dean Acheson. The impression given by this and other material in the Soviet Press is that the Russians are willing and ready to meet for peace talks but that Mr. Truman and Mr. Acheson refuse to do so.

"Pravda" said the Soviet Government would welcome Mr. Truman in Moscow or a meeting could be arranged in Poland or Czechoslovakia. Some diplomatic sources say that Stalin would welcome a meeting somewhere in Europe.

However, following Mr. Truman's and Mr. Acheson's categorical statements objecting to such meetings, the Russians are not likely to do anything but await Western initiative.

"Pravda," in an election day editorial, described Senator Byrd McMahon's call for a world disarmament conference in Moscow as a vain bribe.

The article, by Ilya Ehrenburg, said: "Vainly Mr. Truman thinks he can frighten us and vainly Mr. McMahon thinks he can bribe us."—Reuter and United Press.

## BRITISH FIRMNESS IN RUHR

Bonn, March 12.

General Sir Brian Robertson, the British High Commissioner in Germany, has informed the West German authorities that he will not consider modifying the dismantling plans for the Wattenstedt-Salzgitter iron and steel works, unless those responsible for the recent disturbances there are brought to justice.

A British communiqué today said that the High Commissioner also demanded as a condition that appropriate disciplinary action be taken against the German police who permitted these disturbances to happen.

During the anti-dismantling demonstrations there early this week, German workers beat up a British officer, ransacked British offices and stoned British tanks. British armoured troops were called in.

The communiqué added that demolition work is at present confined to the foundations of coke and blast furnaces already dismantled. These foundations would be quite useless except for the re-erection of similar furnaces, an action which would be inconsistent with the Allied decision to remove the original furnaces.

Dismantling officials, the communiqué said, had been instructed not to let demolition work interfere with the operation of the parts of the Reichswerke which were to be retained.

## Acheson missed the bus?

Washington, March 12.

A Republican Congressman has accused the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, of missing an excellent opportunity to bargain with Russia for the release of an American businessman imprisoned for spying in Hungary in exchange for a Russian sentenced to the same term—15 years—for spying in the United States.

The Congressman, Mr. Donald Jackson, declared yesterday that Mr. Acheson's recommendation that the Russian, Valentin Gubitchev, should instead be deported, indicated the Government's soft attitude to Russia.

Gubitchev was tried and sentenced with Judith Coplon, 28-year-old former employee of the United States Justice Department, who received the same sentence for spying for Russia.

The American businessman, Robert Vogler, was sentenced for espionage in Budapest on February 21.

The State Department secured suspension of Gubitchev's sentence if he returned to Russia within two weeks.

## ELECTIONS IN ARGENTINA

La Plata, March 12.

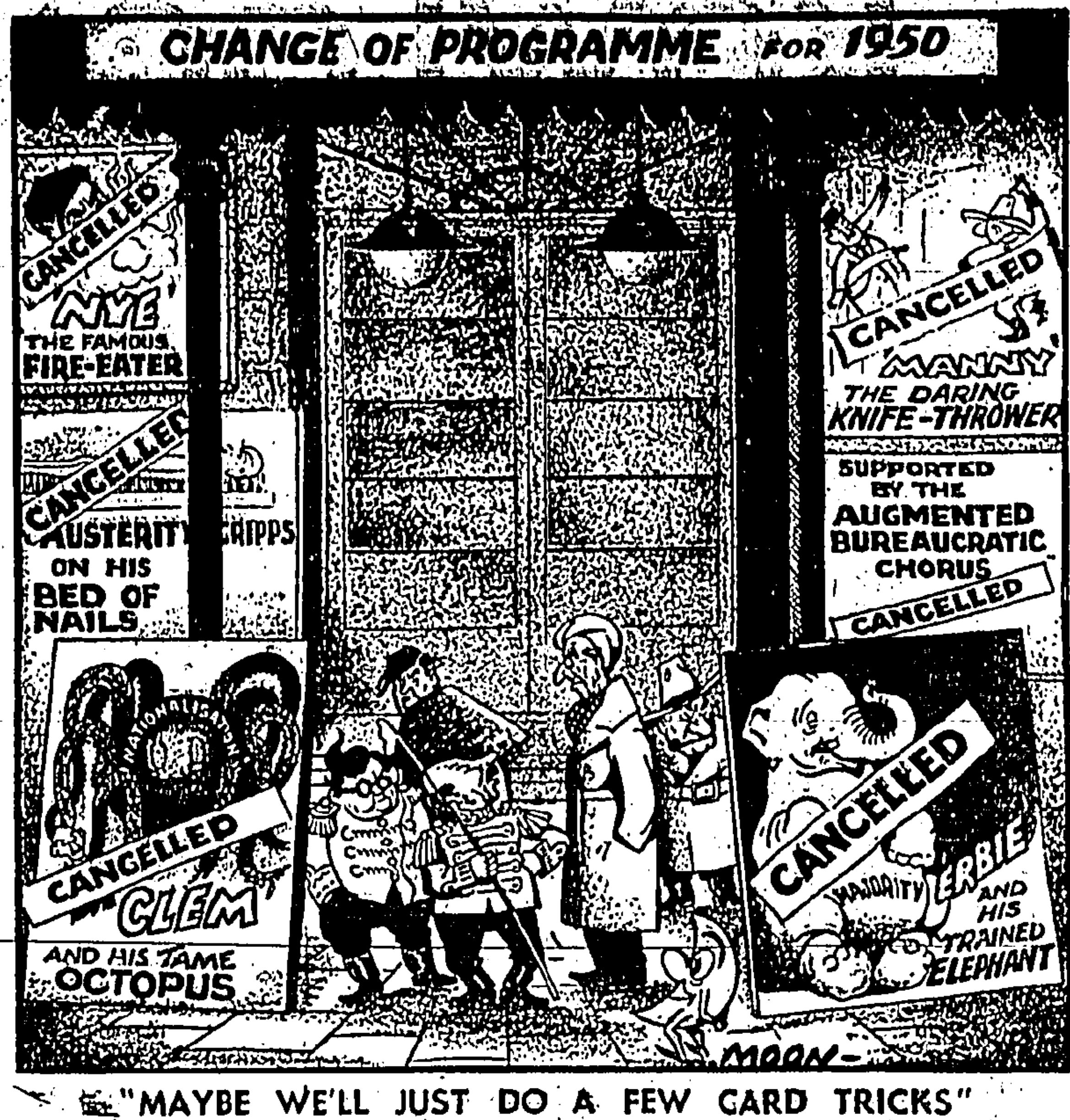
A heavy vote of almost 1,200,000 ballots was cast during the day in Buenos Aires province, which is electing a governor and municipal and provincial officials. There were no major incidents in the election.

Five parties, including the Communists, put up candidates but the re-election of Governor Domingo Mercante and a Peronist Government seems certain. Chief interest centres on whether the Opposition, led by the Radical Party, can cut down ties as they did in other provincial elections in the past year.—United Press.

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**"MAYBE WE'LL JUST DO A FEW CARD TRICKS"**

## CANADA PRODUCING THE FASTEST JETS

Montreal, March 13.

Canada's pride of the air, the F-86 super-jet fighter, will be in mass production before the end of 1950.

The sleek, single-engined aircraft, dubbed the world's fastest after a prototype's record-breaking flight here last year, is now under production at the giant Canadair plant here.

It has an acknowledged speed of more than 700 miles an hour, and a flying ceiling of 40,000 feet.

Canadian air experts have expressed confidence the F-86 will provide the nation with increased prestige in world aeronautical circles.

Canadian officials said the first F-86 will wheel off the assembly line in August. By Christmas, the majority of the 104 ordered by the Federal Government will have been placed in the hands of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

### Exports enthusiastic

The F-86, which holds the world speed record of 670.3 miles per hour, compared favourably with the British Supermarine Spitfire jet fighter and also the CR-109 all-Canadian jet, officials said.

General Electric Co. plants in the United States will produce the much-discussed J-47 jet engine for the F-86.

Described as the most powerful to date by air experts, the J-47 develops 5,000 pounds thrust horsepower in flight.

Even at that, Canadian Air Force chiefs want more power for their new fighter.

Canadair executives hinted that the Avro Orenda engine may eventually replace the J-47 as the standard unit for the F-86.

Official details of the Orenda remain K.C.A.F. "top secret" property.

Air experts, enthusiastic about the F-86's performance after the prototype's record-breaking run at Murok Field, California, believe the new jet fighter could more than hold its own against foreign counterparts.

The F-86 could engage in aerial dog-fights against the best the world could offer, and maintain speeds of more than 700 miles an hour, one expert said.

No war plane at present in production in the Soviet Union even could approach the F-86's performance, they agreed.

Details of the jet show the F-86 as a single-seat, 13,715-pound fighter, with wings sweeping back to a 35 degree angle.

Armament will consist of six 30-calibre machine guns.

## Queensland ravaged by floods

Brisbane, March 12.

Torrential rains, following the path of a 100-mile an hour cyclone, which burst along 600 miles of the Queensland coast yesterday, caused widespread floods as the cyclone swept inland.

Building materials are being rushed to the little sugar cane town of Carmila, which was practically wiped out by the hurricane.

A large area of the State's sugar cane belt was flattened. Thousands of sheep, valued at many thousands of pounds, perished in flood waters at Winderah, South Western Queensland.—Reuter.

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## DISCS WERE JETS

Damascus, March 12.

What were at first thought to be flying discs over here have now been recognised as small jet planes with which the Syrian Government is secretly experimenting.—Associated Press.

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### BIRTH

WINCH—On 13th March 1950, to Emma, wife of George S. Winch, the gift of a daughter, sister to Richard and George Jr.

### THE THREATENED DELUGE

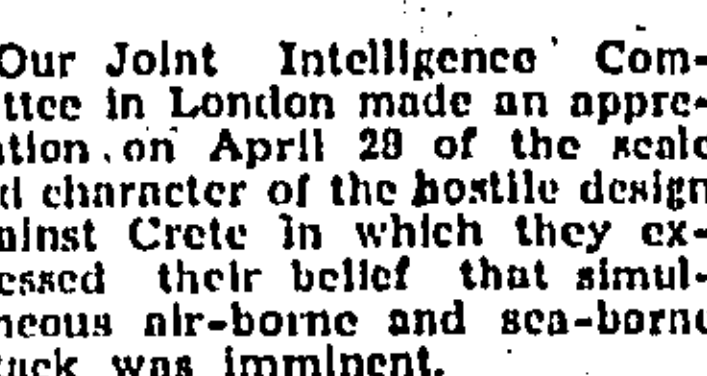
A few weeks ago the Hong Kong authorities agreed to an arrangement designed to improve the facilities for travel between Taiwan and Hong Kong. Agents of shipping and air lines were authorised to forward applications for entry permits to bona-fide residents of the Colony, and business men. Now the Nationalist Government in Taiwan has dealt a blow to British business men by imposing new restrictions on travel facilities to Taiwan. Nationals of all countries not having diplomatic relations with Nationalist China are required to give at least one month's advance notice in emergency cases, and three months in ordinary circumstances, when applying for visas to Taiwan. All applications must have a Chinese guarantor.

There has been quite a revival of the old spirit among the Nationalist leaders in Taiwan lately. A healthy rise of enlightened patriotism is not a bad thing, especially if it encouraged or were accompanied by a similar development on the mainland. But there is also something of the old anti-foreign attitude coming back with it. The hard core of the Kuomintang are back in authority behind the Generalissimo, and the modernists seem to have lost out, judging by the names of the new Cabinet and the kicking upstairs of Dr. K. C. Wu, who becomes Minister without Portfolio. A move toward the centre or even the Left would surely have offered better prospects of influencing the mainland, and given more semblance of reality to the loud talk about getting back.

To return to the reactionaries at this stage is poor politics indeed. It fits in, however, with the intensified air bombing and sea blockade. Something of the spirit behind this policy was revealed in the Kuomintang reaction to the appeal of the British missionary bodies, following the representations from commercial interests, in regard to the bombing of Shanghai and other large cities. The merchants and missionaries were stigmatised as "hypocrites and selfish persons."

However, it is not the political angle of this question we wish to deal with at the moment. We seem to be able to do nothing beyond futile protests to protect our own people and interests in the bombed cities. But something can be done to ensure the welfare of the local community against a peril which these bombings are aggravating. The population of Hong Kong, which fell to about 600,000 by the end of the Japanese occupation, jumped to 1,857,000 in June last year—a threefold increase in less than four years. It is now believed to exceed two millions, and if present conditions on the mainland continue, it is feared the figure will reach the 2,500,000 mark before the end of the year.

This is a frightening prospect in a Colony already so



Our Joint Intelligence Committee in London made an appreciation on April 23 of the scale and character of the hostile design against Crete in which they expressed their belief that simultaneous air-borne and sea-borne attack was imminent.

This was immediately telegraphed to the Cairo headquarters, and I emphasised it the same day by a personal message to General Wavell.

Although Wavell did not at first wholly accept our view that Crete was the target, and thought that the Germans might be deliberately letting rumours circulate to cover their real plans, he acted at once with his customary energy and mobility and flew to the island. He answers show the situation:

Gen. Wavell to Prime Minister and C.O.S., April 23, 1941.

1.—Crete was warned of possibility of air-borne attack on April 18. Besides original permanent garrison of three infantry battalions, two heavy A.A. batteries and coast defence artillery, Crete now contains at least 30,000 personnel evacuated from Greece. These are being organised for the defence of the vital places on the island: Suda Bay, Cania, Retimo and Heraklion. Morale reported good. Arms mainly rifles, with low proportion light machine-guns. In addition, certain units of Greek recruits have been organised for defence of aerodromes and [guarding] prisoners of war.

2.—The Mobile Naval Base Defence Organisation is due to reach the island during the first fortnight in May.

3.—Propose visiting Crete tomorrow, and will report on return.

It is just possible that plan for attack on Crete may be cover for attack on Syria or Cyprus, and that real plan will only be disclosed even to [their] own troops at last moment. This would be consistent with German practice.

I have suggested to the CIGS that General Freyberg should be placed in command of Crete, and he proposed this to Wavell, who had immediately agreed. General Freyberg and I had been friends for many years. When as a young volunteer from New Zealand in the First World War he had made his way through many difficulties to England he had an introduction to me, and met me one day in the Admiralty in September, 1914, and asked for a commission.

I was at that time forming the Royal Naval Division, and I soon made the necessary arrangements. A few days he became a sub-lieutenant in the "Hood" Battalion.

### Deeds of valour

Here is no place to describe the long succession of glorious deeds of valour by which he rose

overcrowded as Hong Kong. The whole position seems to require immediate review with the idea of imposing greater restrictions—and for far more valid reasons than the mere spirit of hostility that animated the Nationalists in Taiwan in their latest measure. The Singapore Legislative Council, with its elected popular majority, is about to consider new immigration legislation. It will be based on the recommendations of a Sub-Committee on Immigration appointed some months ago. These were guided by two main considerations: (1) economic: the overcrowding of the island; and (2) security.

It is not proposed to bring Chinese immigration to a total halt, but it will be more severely restricted. The Government looks upon it as an economic rather than a racial problem. There is a great shortage of housing, medical and educational facilities. In this respect Singapore, like Hong Kong, has passed saturation point. Indeed, if anything, conditions are worse here than in the Southern port. Stability of population is essential for any long-term planning in education, health and housing. They cannot be legislated for if the very basis of all calculations is shattered by a continuous influx of people driven from their homes by bombing or other conditions. The established community here are as much entitled to protection as the Chinese in Singapore.

## WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK

# THE GRAND ALLIANCE

## The invasion of Crete

By Winston Churchill

In four years of front-line war to the command of a brigade, and in the crisis of the German summer offensive of 1918 was placed in command of all the troops, amounting almost to a corps, which held the gap in front of Baillou. The Victoria Cross and the D.S.O. with two bars marked his unsurpassed service.

Freyberg, like his only equal, Cartor de Wiant, deserved the title with which I acclaimed him as "Salomander." Both thrived in the fire, and were literally shot to pieces without being affected physically or in spirit.

One day in the 1920's when I was staying at a country house with Bernard Freyberg I asked him to show me his wounds. He stripped himself and I counted 27 separate scars and gashes. To these he was to add in the Second World War another three. But of course, as he explained, "You nearly always get two wounds for every bullet or splinter, because mostly they have to go out as well as go in."

At the outset of the new war no man was more fitted to command the New Zealand Division, for which he was eagerly chosen. In September, 1940, I had toyed with the idea of giving him a far greater scope. Now at

6. Greek troops at present are mostly untrained and unarmed.

7. Difficulties are being dealt with, and will be overcome if we get time, but all defence will always be difficult problem.

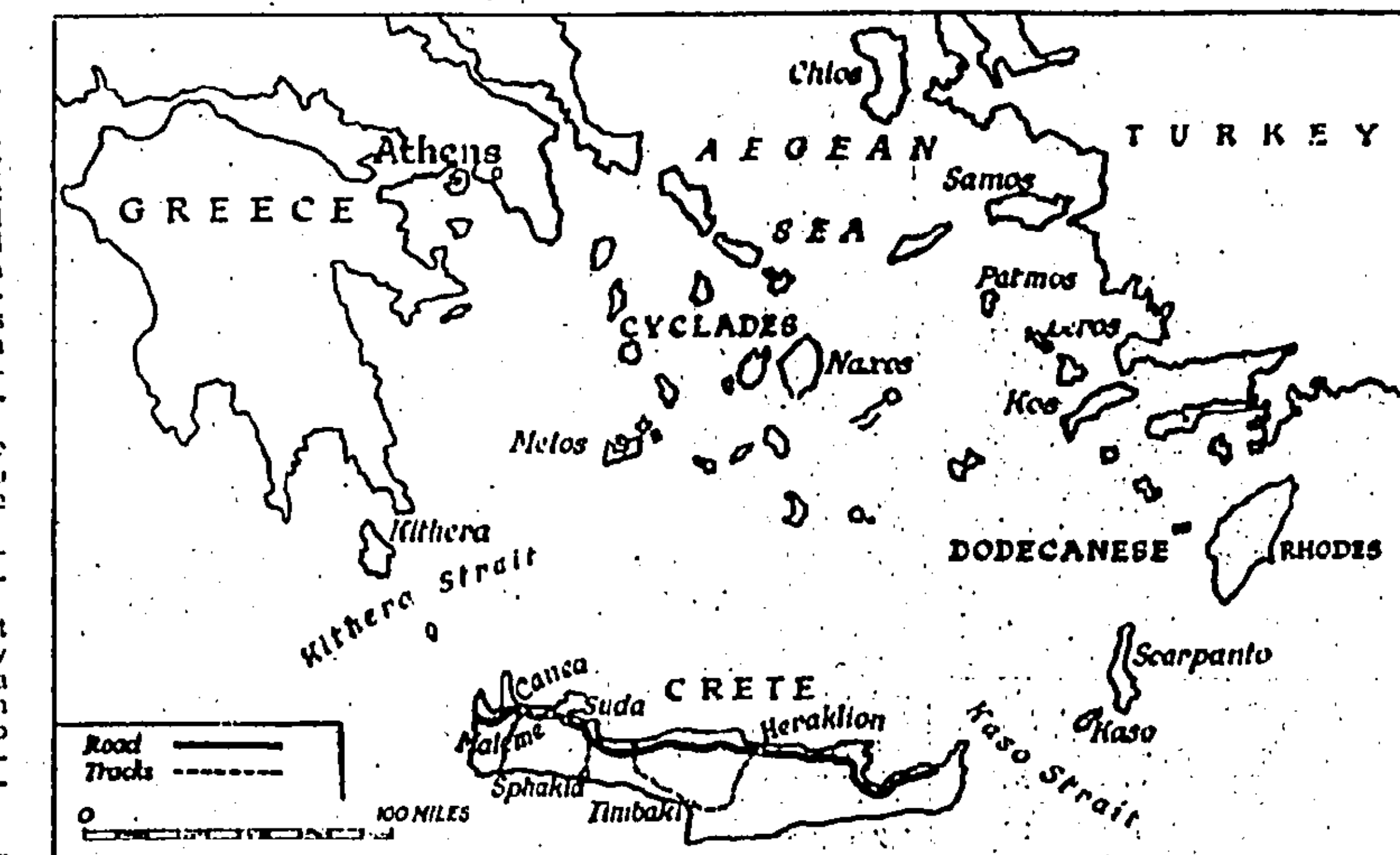
As the impending danger began to dominate directing minds strong efforts were made to carry reinforcements and supplies of weapons, especially artillery, to the island, but it was then too late. During the second week in May the German Air Force from its bases in Greece and in the Aegean established a virtual light blockade of Crete, and took their toll of all traffic, especially on the northern side where alone the harbours lay. Out of 27,000 tons of vital munitions sent in the first three weeks of May to Crete under 3,000 could be landed, and the rest had to turn back with the loss of over 3,000 tons.

Our strength in A.A. weapons was 10 heavy A.A. guns (3.7in

When the battle joined we did not know what were the total resources of Germany in parachute troops. The 11th Air Corps might have been only one of half a dozen such units. It was not till many months afterwards that we were sure it was the only one. It was in fact the spear-point of the German lance. And this is the story of how it triumphed and was broken.

The battle began on the morning of May 20, 1941, and never was a more reckless, ruthless attack launched by the Germans. Their first and main aim was the Maleme airfield. For an hour the surrounding positions were subjected to the heaviest bombing and machine-gunning hitherto experienced from the air. The bulk of our A.A. artillery was put out of action practically at once. As soon as the bombardment was over gliders began to land West of the airfield.

At 8 a.m. parachutists were dropped in large numbers from heights varying from 300 to 800 feet, in the area between Maleme and Cania. One German regiment of four battalions in the



CRETE AND THE AEGEAN

length this decisive personal command had come to him. Freyberg is so made that he will fight for King and country with an unconquerable heart anywhere he is ordered and with whatever forces he is given by superior authorities, and he imports his own invincible firmness of mind to all around him.

Freyberg and Wavell were under no illusions.

Gen. Freyberg to Gen. Wavell, May 1, 1941.

Forces at my disposal are totally inadequate to meet the envisaged attack. Unless fighter aircraft are greatly increased and naval forces made available to deal with sea-borne attack I cannot hope to hold out with land forces alone, which as result of campaign in Greece are now devoid of any artillery, have insufficient tools for digging, very little transport, and inadequate war reserves of equipment and ammunition.

Force here can and will fight, but without full support from Navy and Air Force cannot hope to repel invasion. If for other reasons these cannot be made available at once, urge that question of holding Crete should be reconsidered. I feel that under terms of my charter it is my duty to inform New Zealand Government of situation in which greater part of my division is now placed.

Gen. Wavell to CIGS, May 2, 1941.

1. Defence of Crete will present difficult problem for all three services, mainly on account of enemy air superiority. Ports and aerodromes being in North of island involves greater exposure of aircraft and shipping. Only good roads in island (and that none too good) runs East and West along North coast, and also exposed.

### Roads are bad

2. There are no good roads North and South or harbours on South coast, though with time it may be possible to develop them. There is a great shortage of transport in island. Food for civil population will have to be imported in considerable quantities. If towns heavily bombed and we are unable provide fighter protection we may be faced with political problem.

3. To garrison island effectively at least three brigades groups required and considerable number of A.A. units. Present garrison three British Regular battalions, six N.Z. battalions, one Australian battalion of details evacuated from Greece. Those from Greece are weak in numbers and equipment. There is no artillery. Scale of A.A. defence inadequate, but being reinforced.

mobile), 30 light A.A. guns (Bofors), and 24 A.A. searchlights. There were only nine part-worn Infantry tanks, distributed at the airfields, and 16 light tanks. On May 9 a part of the Mobile Infantry Organisation arrived, including one heavy and one light A.A. battery, which were deployed for the better protection of Suda Bay. Altogether about 2,000 men of this organisation landed in Crete, but over 3,000 were held back in Egypt, though the Mobile Infantry Organisation, six thousand Italian prisoners of war were an additional burden to the defence.

But of course it was only our weakness in the air that rendered the German attack possible. The RAF strength early in May was 12 Blenheim, six Hurricane, 12 Gladiator and six Fulmars and Brewsters of the Fleet Air Arm, of which only one-half were serviceable. These were distributed between the Retimo landing-strip, the Maleme airfield, for fighters only, and the Heraklion airfield, which accepted all types. This was but a trifle compared with the overwhelming air forces about to be hurled upon the island.

Our inferiority in the air was fully realised by all concerned, and on May 19, the day before the attack, all remaining aircraft were evacuated to Egypt. It was known to the War Cabinet, the Chiefs of Staff, and the Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East that the only choice lay between fighting under this fearful disadvantage or hurrying out of the island, as might have been possible in the early days of May.

But there was no difference of opinion between any of us about facing the attack, and when we see in the light and knowledge of the 'after-time' how nearly, in spite of all our shortcomings, we won, and how far-reaching were the advantages even of our failure, we must be well content with the risks we ran and the price we paid.

In many of its aspects at the time it was fought the Battle of Crete was unique. Nothing like it had ever been seen before. It was the first large-scale airborne attack in the annals of war. The German Air Corps represented the flame of the Hitler Youth Movement and was in an ardent embodiment of the Teutonic spirit of revenge for the defeat in 1918. The flower of German manhood was expressed in these valiant, highly-trained, and completely devoted Nazi parachute troops.

The Germans used the whole strength they could command. This was to be Goering's prodigious air achievement. It might have been launched upon England in 1940 if British airpower had been broken. But this expectation had not been fulfilled. It might have fallen on Malta. But this broke was spared us. The German Air Corps had waited for more than seven months to strike their blow and prove their might. Now at length Goering could send them the long-awaited signal.

morning, and a second in the afternoon, were thrown in by a continuous stream of aircraft, utterly regardless of losses to men and machines. They were regularly encountered on and near the airfield by a battalion of the 5th New Zealand Brigade, with the rest of the brigade in support to the Eastward.

Wherever our troops were noticed they were subjected to tremendous bombardment, bombs of 500 and even 1,000lb being used in profusion. Counter-attacks were impossible in daylight. A counter-attack with only two "T" tanks proved a failure. Gliders or troop-carriers landed or crashed on the beaches and in the scrub or on the broad-sweep airfield. In all, around and between Maleme and Cania more than 5,000 Germans reached the ground on the first day. They suffered very heavy losses from the fire and fierce hand-to-hand fighting of the New Zealanders.

In our defended area practically all who alighted were accounted for, most being killed. At the end of the day we were still in possession of the airfield, but that evening the few who were



Must be a party line. Lead story yesterday insisted that "Communist merchandise" arrived here by rail from Shanghai.

The stuff will have to be thoroughly de-indoctrinated if it expects to get into America.

Now grenades are being thrown in hotels in Singapore. Some of the writers here could do with a little ginger up, too.

I am coming to the conclusion that my new cook has a lot of un-Bacon recipes.

The police in Japan report that 400 persons attempted suicide last month but failed. I do think booklets describing the foolproof methods clearly might be made available to all applicants over there.

Quit Stalin. While the world waited breathlessly for the great dictator's words, Moscow radio pondered: To speak or not to speak, that is the \$64 question.

Typist-queen told she cannot attend tribal meeting. She is still, however, expecting.

I see that even in Egypt the newspapers are printing the Gorgious Gussie. Only this time it was a colour bar.

Brass tax. Legal writer points out that only a fraction of one per cent of us pay Hong Kong income tax. Otherwise known as the not-too-bright man's burden.

Ex-servicemen's group in New York suggests an atom-bomb nuke by Truman and Stalin on the telephone. Only trouble is, they might get the wrong number, although that would be better than being cut off in their prime.

Myrtle says there's a lot to be said in a certain girl's favour, but the other stuff is much more interesting.

New York authorities have apparently been having trouble making the 'poptical' adhere to the water-economy programme. Every time it rains a little, the citizens wash their hands of the whole business.

This nation-wide balloting in Russia is an impressive example of true democracy. Citizens have complete freedom of choice; they can either vote for the Party candidates—or abstain from filling in the form if the secret police are locking the other way.

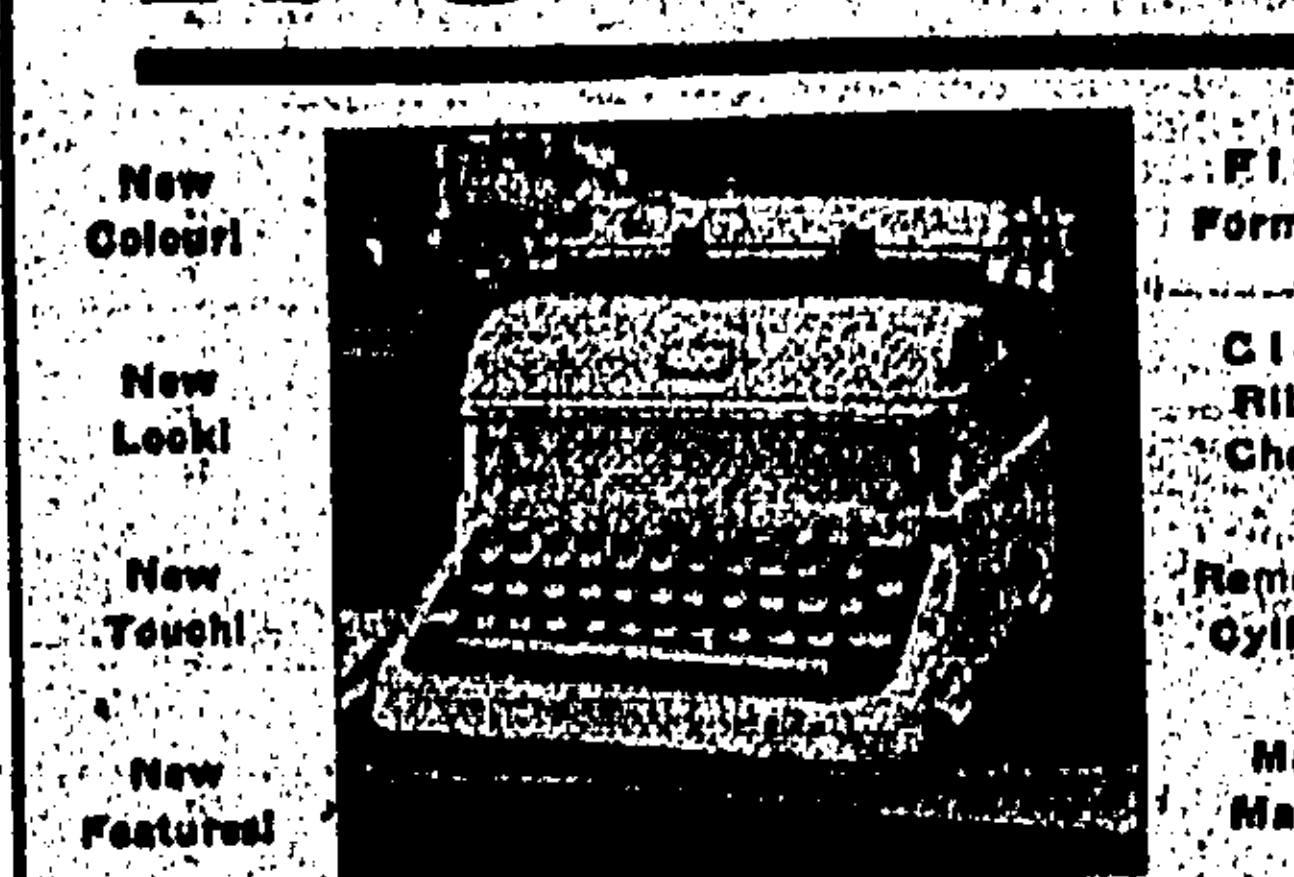
Left of the battalion fell back on its supports.

Retimo and Heraklion were both treated to a heavy air bombardment on that morning, followed by parachute drops in the afternoon of two and four battalions respectively. Heavy fighting followed, but at nightfall we remained in firm possession of both airfields.

(To be continued)

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# EIGHTY DEAD IN AIR SMASH

## Two plane disasters averted

New York, March 12. Plane disasters were narrowly averted at opposite ends of the United States today.

At Tampa, Florida, 15 Air Force men on a training flight escaped death when their Superfort bomber crashed and burned after a difficult landing.

One officer was badly injured but the others aboard received only cuts and bruises. Rescue squads from a local Air Force base helped the crew free and put out the fire. Off San Francisco, 15 passengers and seven members of the crew landed safely in coastal waters when their strato-cruiser airliner had engine trouble on its way to Honolulu.

Plane accidents killed 824 people in the United States Air-Force last year, it was announced today. This total was 50 fewer than in 1948, the Air-Force said.—Reuter.

## Giant Tudor aircraft crashes near Cardiff THREE SURVIVORS

CARDIFF, MARCH 12.

THE WORST AIR DISASTER ON RECORD OCCURRED NEAR CARDIFF TODAY, KILLING 80 PEOPLE. ONLY THREE OF THE PASSENGERS SO FAR SURVIVE.

A large passenger plane, packed with rugby football supporters homeward bound from an International match, heeled over in mid-air, and nose-dived to the ground not far from the South Wales coast.

Six seriously injured passengers were taken alive from the wreckage but five of them died later.

The wrecked aircraft, an Avro Tudor, equipped to carry 72 passengers, fell in a field outside the village of Bigginston, 15 miles from Cardiff.

Altogether the machine carried 78 passengers and five members of the crew.

Four women were among the killed.

The plane broke in half as it crashed half a mile from the runway of Llandow, the airport for Cardiff.

Two survivors staggered to a nearby farm. A third, wearing a tattered uniform and bleeding from the head, stumbled out of the wreckage, calling for help, eye-witnesses said.

The plane, taking people back to Cardiff after yesterday's Wales v. Ireland Rugby International in Belfast, was reported to have turned over in mid-air after over-shooting the runway of the airport.

Vivian and Thomas John Newman were playing football in their garden at Sington when the plane flew over them.

Thomas said: "We saw the plane coming at about 30 feet as it prepared to land. I remarked to my brother that it looked very low. We thought something was going to happen and we started to run. It banked to the right and started to climb."

"Then the engines cut out and it nose-dived into the ground. It seemed to burst into pieces only a few yards from our garden."

"We rushed over as quickly as we could. When we got there a man staggered out of the wreckage and said: 'Get some help.'"

"We were looking around to give what assistance we could and crowds of people seemed to come from all directions. We helped to get two men clear in case the plane caught fire. Fortunately it did not."

**Mortuaries in RAF station**

Sixty ambulances, rushing to the spot from surrounding districts, took the bodies of the victims to temporary mortuaries set up at a new-by Royal Air Force Station and the neighbouring town of Cowbridge.

Among the victims were a married couple and their son. All three were killed.

Air Vice-Marshal Donald Bennett, wartime "Pathfinder" hero of the RAF, and Operations Manager of the owners of the plane, Fairlight Ltd., took off from an airfield near London in his own plane to investigate the crash.

Air Vice-Marshal Bennett has been the strongest defender of the Tudor aircraft before its critics.

He became Chief Executive of British South American Airways after leaving the Royal Air Force in 1945.

Then came the great Tudor controversy. The Tudor Type IV was ordered to be grounded. Early in 1948 the board of the Airline announced Air Vice-Marshal Bennett's dismissal after differences of opinion on matters of policy.

**Previous crashes**

But the Air Vice-Marshal's faith in the Tudor aircraft was unshaken. He formed a charter company, Fairlight Ltd., flew a Tudor II himself and made more than 300 flights on the Berlin airlift.

Then he ran a thriving airline between the Yemen and Israel with Tudors. One of them was badly damaged by anti-aircraft fire last October when it flew off course over Egyptian-held territory with a load of displaced persons for Israel.

The Tudor controversy began with the crash of the "Star Dust"

In August, 1947, on a flight from London to Santiago. The 11 people aboard were killed. An inquiry was unable to determine the cause of the crash.

Next, the "Star Tiger" disappeared with 31 people aboard on another South American flight early in 1948. A year later, a third Tudor airliner, the "Star Ariel," disappeared mysteriously with 20 aboard.

The Civil Aviation Ministry immediately ordered all Tudors to be grounded and appointed a court of investigation. The court reached no verdict because it lacked survivors' evidence from any of the crashed aircraft, but the Ministry decided that the Tudor IV type to which the three crashed aircraft belonged should no longer be used on passenger routes.

The aircraft involved in today's disaster was a Tudor V—bigger than the Tudor IV.

**Normal load 44**

A normal load for long flights was 44 passengers, but with less fuel on short hops it could carry considerably more.

The previous biggest plane disaster recorded was on November 1 last when 55 people died in a collision between a Skymaster airliner and a Bolivian fighter plane over Washington National Airport.

On Christmas Day, 1946, 71 people perished in three crashes within a few hours at Shanghai Airport. Three Chinese air-liners crashed while trying to land in dense fog.

The death-toll, when the American dirigible Akron crashed on April 4, 1933, off the New Jersey coast, was 73.

The Minister of Civil Aviation, Lord Pakenham, hurried to Wales today to make a personal investigation of history's worst commercial aviation disaster.—Reuter, United Press and Associated Press.

## Memorial for Burma fallen

London, March 13.

Earl Louis Mountbatten will attend a service of commemoration to men who fell in the defence and liberation of Burma at Westminster Abbey on Thursday, May 11.

During the service Lord Mountbatten will hand to the Dean of Westminster a memorial book containing the names of over 10,000 men who fell in the Burma campaigns. The book will be kept in a chapel of the Abbey for a short time so that relatives may inspect it, and later it will be sent to Burma to be enshrined in the war memorial chapel of Rangoon Cathedral, for which over 80 units of the British forces have subscribed nearly £2,000.

It is hoped that representatives from the subscribing units will also attend the memorial service in the Abbey, as well as relatives of the fallen. Men who served in Burma as Government officials, missionaries and members of commercial firms have also been invited to the memorial service.

The Bishop of Rangoon, who has been invited by the Dean of Westminster to be the special preacher at the service, will fly to London.—Associated Press.

## NEW ECONOMIC CRISIS AHEAD OF BRITAIN?

Washington, March 12.

Belief is growing among officials here that Britain is heading for another financial and economic crisis in 1950, as she did in 1949 and 1948. Some speculate privately that Britain's problems may reach a head in 1950 earlier than the August-September crisis season of the last two years.

The crux of the problem, as they see it, is that although Britain's production is about as high as it can go in the near future, it does not yield enough exportable goods to meet simultaneously two pressing British problems:

1. Need to increase sales to the U.S. so as to earn more dollars and thus solve Britain's current inability to pay for the goods she must get from the U.S.

2. Conflicting pressure on Britain to ship goods to other countries—namely India and the British Commonwealth countries—as a means of paying huge debts acquired in wartime and since.

Possible solutions—getting mention include British negotiations with creditors to ease pressure of old debt payments by lengthening them out and slowing them down, and provision of further U.S. help to Britain.

American officials are loathe to prod Britain to try negotiation lest it prompt a British request for further aid—something they suspect will come fairly soon without any prompting.

**Hoffman plan**

The Foreign Aid Administrator, Paul G. Hoffman, meanwhile, is threatening Britain with loss of \$150,000,000 in Marshall Plan aid if she will not come in on the European payments union Mr. Hoffman proposes.

Although the Senate has voted to make \$500,000,000 in Marshall Plan funds—about one-fifth of the total—available for use in the payments union scheme there are misgivings in the Treasury and other agencies here about the payments union itself.

Mr. Hoffman's idea is to get an expansion of trade among the Western European countries by making their currencies convertible into one another, bringing relaxation of trade barriers among them.

Some officials here, however, now express fear that the payments union plan will actually worsen chances of solving what they regard as the fundamental problem: getting European currencies generally convertible—meaning freely exchangeable for dollars as well as for European monies.

The main need, they insist, is for Europe to overcome its trade deficit with the U.S. by exporting more goods to this country to pay for what it needs from here.

**Alternative idea**

They contend that the payments union, by making it easier for Europeans to trade with one another, would automatically make trading with the U.S. relatively less attractive.

Some officials here have evolved a new alternative idea: That it would be more effective to provide some Marshall Plan dollars specifically to bolster European countries' currency

reserves and to help Britain reduce her old debts. The thought behind it is that strengthening European currencies would enable those countries to trade more freely among themselves, yet it would not make it more attractive for them to trade with one another than with the U.S.—Associated Press.

## Jews pay respects to Eliash

London, March 12.

Hundreds of men and women of British Jewry filed past Dr. Mordechai Eliash's coffin at the Israeli Legation this afternoon. The coffin, draped with the blue and white flag of Israel, rested in the Legation, where as recently as last Friday he had been giving instructions to his colleagues, who now stood silently flanking the bier as a Guard of Honour.

At the head of the coffin, candles burned. In an adjoining anteroom women came softly as the mournful procession moved slowly and silently up the stairs, past the coffin and out again into the sunlit street.

People had queued for hours awaiting the arrival of the cortege from Dr. Eliash's newly-acquired home, in which he had slept only one night. He went out the next day and died suddenly as he was reading a book.

Those who travelled with the coffin to the Legation included his daughter, Rachel, aged 23, and his 21-year-old son, Moshe, an Oxford law student.

Among the first to file past the coffin were Lord Samuel, Mr. Barnett Janney, Member of Parliament, and the recently appointed Israeli Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Mordechai R. Kidron.

Dr. E. Yagou, Press Attache at the Legation, said: "It was the Minister's wish to be buried in Jerusalem, in the family tomb on the Mount of Olives, where his wife is buried. That neighbourhood is now in the hands of Arabs, so Dr. Eliash will be buried elsewhere in Jerusalem."

The plane, carrying the body to Israel will stop at Nice, Rome and Athens and will arrive in Palestine tomorrow. The burial will take place on Monday afternoon or Tuesday.—Reuter.

## MR. TRUMAN OFF ON HOLIDAY

Washington, March 12.

President Harry Truman, accompanied by virtually the entire White House staff, sailed today in the Presidential yacht Williamburg for a three-weeks' holiday in Florida.—Associated Press.

## Government may make statement on Seretse case

London, March 12.

Political quarters believe that Mr. Clement Attlee's Government, fearing for its precarious majority of six seats in the House of Commons, is likely to make an early statement clarifying its decision to exile Seretse Khama and his white wife from the native protectorate of Bechuanaland, South Africa.

Some Labour Members of Parliament are deeply concerned by the human and political issues that the decision has raised. They are expected to force a debate on the affair.

Parliamentary circles fear the emotions roused by the exile of Seretse, young chief-designate of the Bechuanaland tribe.

It is generally felt that the public has not been given enough facts on which to base a judgment.

Meanwhile, Seretse Khama, 28-year-old exiled chieftain-designate of the Bechuanaland tribe, almost collapsed after a muster protest meeting here tonight.

Looking tired and ill, he acknowledged the cheers of 800 people as he made his way to the platform. When the cheering died down, he spoke in a faint voice and began to sway.

He steadied himself by gripping the edge of the desk and explained that he had gone without meals owing to pressure of work and a deluge of enquiries.

**Tribal boycott**

The West Indian cricketer, Learie Constantine, presided over the meeting, which was organized by the "Seretse Khama Fighting Committee," formed a few days ago.

The Bechuanaland tribe of Bechuanaland today decided to boycott tomorrow's tribal meeting called by the British High Commissioner, Sir Evelyn Baring, to explain the British Government's five-year ban on their young chief, Seretse Khama.

It is believed that an attempt will be made today to persuade the tribal leaders to attend.

Serowe, the mud-hutted capital of some 30,000 inhabitants, is quite quiet today.

The headmen's spokesman gave Ruth Khama, Seretse's white wife, the tribe's decision.

Mrs. Khama remained in Bechuanaland when her husband went to London for talks with the British Government.—Reuter.

**FANTASTIC CLAIM**

Newark, New Jersey, March 12.

An American girl wrote to the income tax authorities asking for a \$20 tax reduction because she lost her bathing suit while swimming.

But the authorities took a dim view of her case. "We denied the claim and advised her to buy a lighter bathing suit this summer," they said. "This is the third year she has made this claim."—Reuter.

## BELGIUM VOTES FOR LEOPOLD

Brussels, March 13.

Exiled King Leopold early today won a plebiscite on the question of his return to Belgium's throne. Complete official returns from all 30 of the country's voting districts gave him approximately 57 per cent of the total vote.

The count was for Leopold's return, 2,871,442; against his return, 2,150,081.

The result in favour of King Leopold is approximately two per cent larger than the percentage he had said he would have to have to rule again over the Belgians.

The plebiscite, conducted yesterday, is only advisory. The results will serve merely to inform Parliament of the nation's will. Parliament itself will make the final decision on the King's status. Leopold III ran ahead throughout the tabulation of ballots.

At one time during the counting the margin of votes in favour of King Leopold ran as high as 70 per cent. That was on the basis of results in the Northern Flemish-speaking districts where the pro-Leopold forces were strongest.

That lead was cut down steadily at the end of the counting by the large anti-Leopold vote in Brussels and the French-speaking parts of the nation. Anti-Leopold forces carried Brussels by approximately 30,000 votes.

King Leopold also lost the important industrial city of Liege by a heavy margin.

In most of the nation, however, King Leopold ran from 10 to 15 or 20 per cent ahead of the total polled last June by the Social Christian (Catholic) Party, which had made his return one of its chief campaign planks.—Associated Press.



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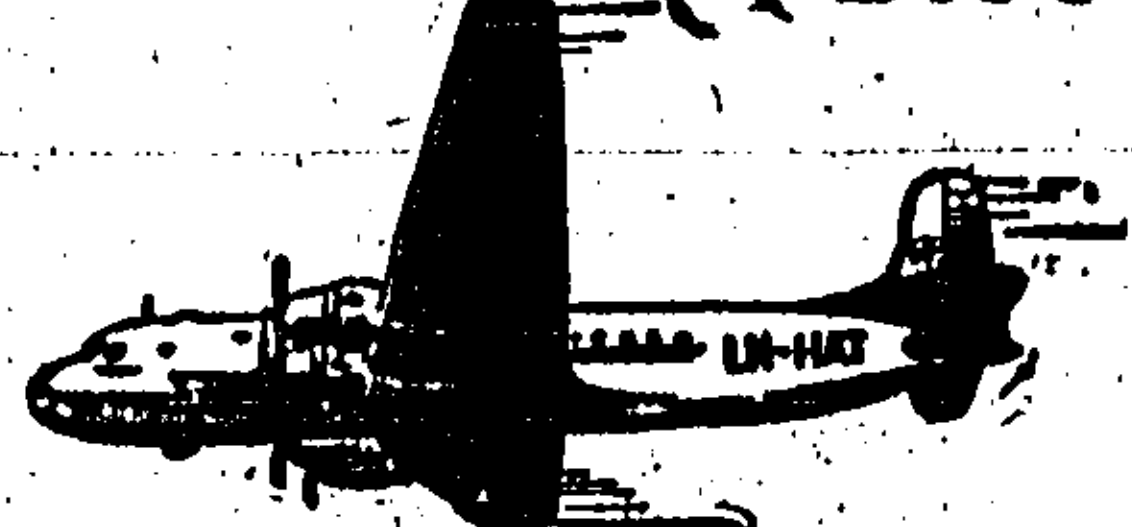
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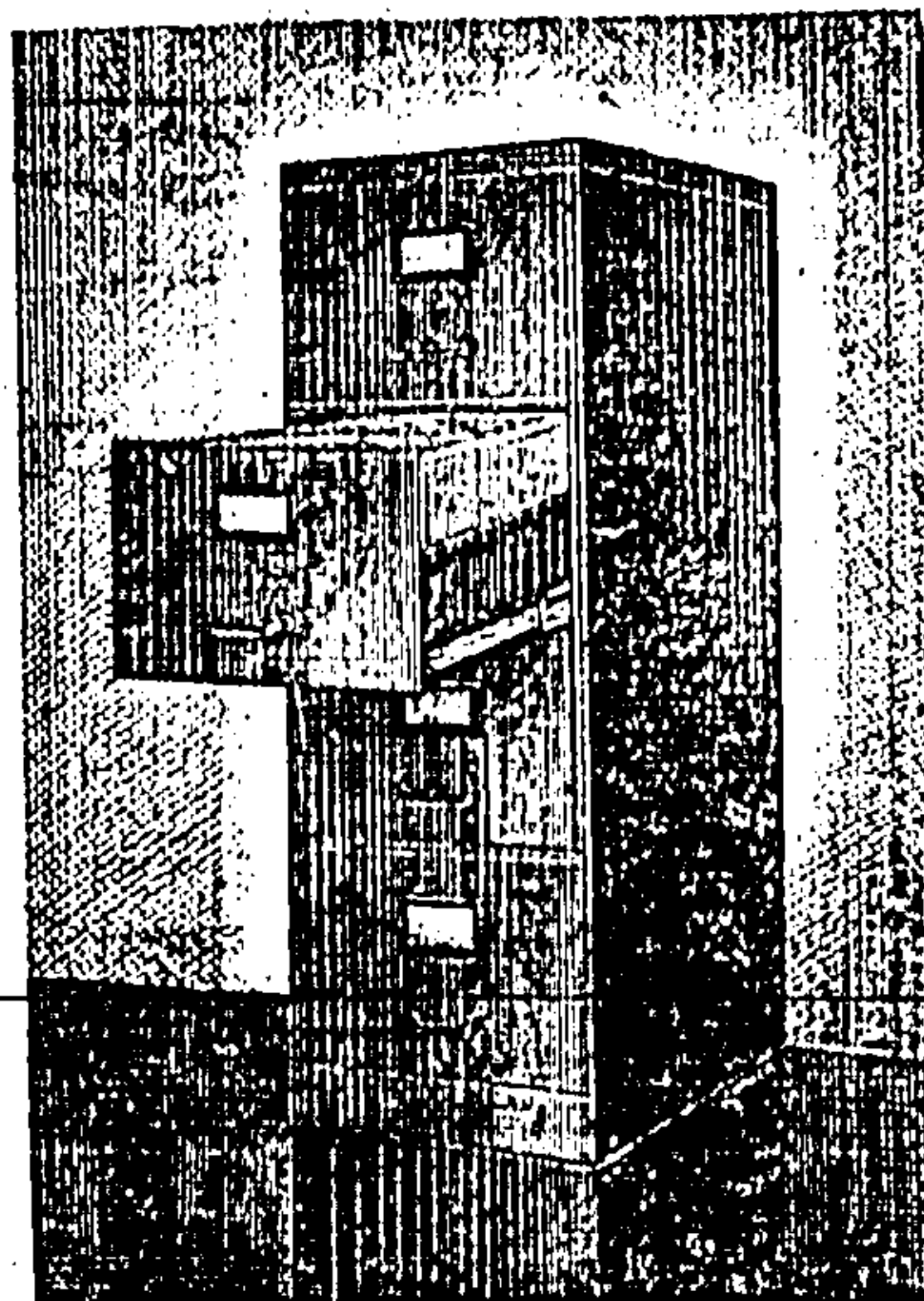
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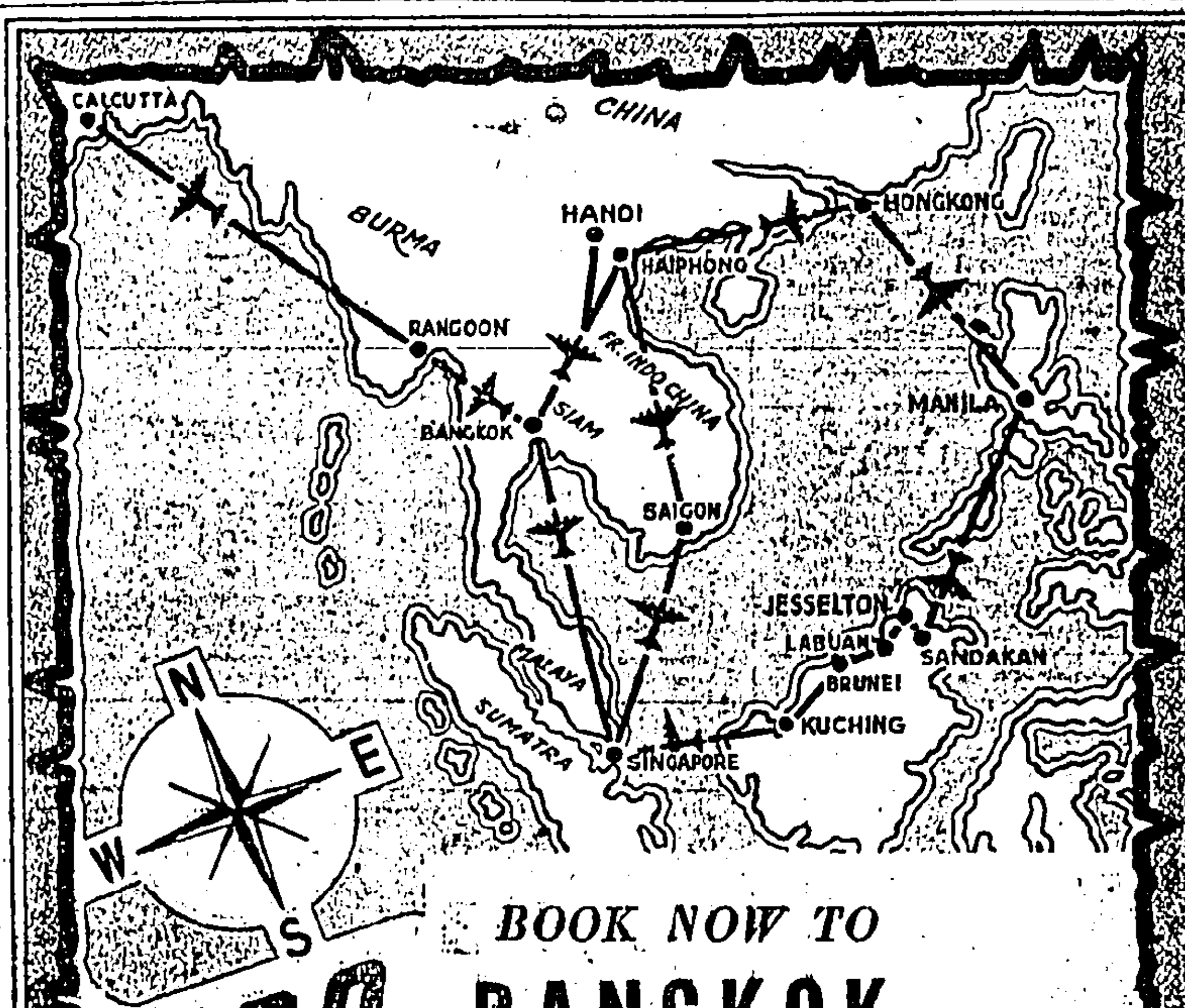


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## SEE-SAW SITUATION IN FRENCH STRIKES

Paris, March 12.

The strike movement in France see-sawed over the week-end. It took a turn for the worse in the metal industry, where about 300,000 people are involved.

But in the gas and electrical industries, affecting 110,000 employees, the foremen decided to go back to work to prevent gas supplies passing the danger point as the result of the four-days' strike.

## NAVAL GAMES IN THE MED.

On Board the destroyer  
Armada, March 12.

Destroyers attacked the French carrier Arromanches, the French cruiser Montcalm and the British cruiser Liverpool with dummy torpedoes today in the combined Anglo-French manoeuvres in the Mediterranean—Exercise "Symphonie".

They were part of a force of the Third Mediterranean Fleet, the Home Fleet Sixth Destroyer Flotilla, which made a high speed dash with darkened ships before dawn.

Today was devoted to a submarine search by the Third Destroyer Flotilla and three French destroyers operating ahead of the main force, consisting of Arromanches, Montcalm and Liverpool, with a French light force.

Three French and two British submarines made up the attacking force and French and British aircraft are flying in the area in which the combined formations are steaming under the orders of Vice-Admiral Lambert, who has been in command of the manoeuvres to date, flying his flag in Montcalm.

Between Toulon and Minorca, the French cruiser Georges Leygues and the 40-knot light cruiser Le Fantasque, escorted by a frigate, are being attacked by two French submarines.

In this sector the exercises are under the command of Captain R. Sala. This phase of Operation Symphonie is going on tonight and a further phase is due from tomorrow until the whole force reaches the North African coast on Tuesday.—Reuter.

Berlin, March 12.  
The Free University of West Berlin will observe a memorial hour tomorrow afternoon for three students who disappeared behind Soviet barbed wire three years ago.—Associated Press.

This decision was announced by the Independent Foremen's Union in a communiqué, which said that the foremen maintained their claims for higher wages but would negotiate instead of striking.

Efforts to settle the fortnight-old metal strike broke down Saturday after the employers told the Conciliation Committee that they could not go beyond their final offer of a five per cent increase in wages.

Workers were beginning to drift back to work in the steel industry especially in the Renault motor works in Paris, but it was feared that the breakdown of the strike might reverse this movement.

The Independent Foremen's Union, to which a large number of the ordinary workers in the gas and electrical industries belong, is headed by a former Communist Minister, M. Marcel Paul. Despite the mobilisation of the gas and electricity workers by the Government, gas pressure in Paris fell to near danger point today.

## Cabinet victory

The apparent ineffectiveness of the mobilisation order, was ascribed to men willing to work being prevented from doing so by strike pickets.

Underground trains were running normally today after Friday night's settlement. The settlement of this strike on the basis of a five per cent increase in pay is regarded as a victory both for the Government and for the non-Communist unions.

The Communist union was forced to tell its men to go back to work on less favourable terms than those it had demanded. Communist papers made no mystery of their defeat and accused the non-Communist trade union leaders of "treason".

A split between the Communist and non-Communist unions in the transport dispute may have repercussions in the other industries. An increasing number of French workers feel that they have a just cause to defend in asking for higher wages at the present time, but are not willing to be made the tools for political purposes.

## Provinces confused

In the provinces, where there are numerous disputes in progress, the situation remained confused. Tramway and bus employees in Marseilles endorsed the principle of an unlimited strike, but public transport workers in Strasbourg declared themselves satisfied with an agreement made on Saturday.

The textile strike in the North continued, but the non-Communist Labour Force Union declared that it was opposed to the strike and this may open the way for a settlement.

This is the most important trade union in the North. Twenty thousand weavers are at present on strike.

A protest strike of dockers against the war in Indo-China was staged in Marseilles and Bordeaux on Saturday, but the dockers at Cherbourg where the first shipment of Atlantic Pact arms is expected, reiterated their determination to unload all military cargoes.

## Another strike

The decision of the Union of Foremen to return to work was believed to affect some 15 per cent of the 110,000 workers in the gas and electrical industries. The non-Communist (Force Ouvrière) workers of the industry today decided to continue

## Cardinal's appeal to employers

Paris, March 12.

Cardinal Liénart, Bishop of Lille, today appealed to French employers to reach a generous wage agreement with low-paid workers. His appeal came at a time when French workers themselves indicated that they are increasingly in doubt as to what to do.

Many are going back to work in most striking industries because they are running out of money. Others are meeting with a view to beginning strikes unless higher wages are given.—Associated Press.

their stoppage in conjunction with the Communist-dominated CGT (General Labour Confederation).

National health and insurance employees in the Paris area decided tonight to strike tomorrow.

Both Communist and non-Communist unions were taking part in this strike, which will affect the payment of family allowances and pensions as well as the working of health clinics, dispensaries and dental centres.

The CGT staff of the Paris Waterworks have threatened to strike on Tuesday unless their wage claims are satisfied.—Reuter.

## DEVELOPMENT IN HONDURAS

Belize, March 12.

The Colonial Development Corporation, jointly with British Honduras fruit enterprises, is at present clearing extensive lands for agriculture development.

Commenting on the intense anti-CDC sentiment, Governor Ronald Garvey, in a radio broadcast today, declared the CDC will pay fair not slave wages, and that the CDC does not intend to exploit the people of British Honduras despite a Colony-wide belief.

A CDC official in a Press interview blamed the local Government for the low wages the corporation proposed paying and claimed the CDC had been advised by the Labour Department to pay similar rates paid to Government manual workers—the country's lowest paid workers.

The CDC rates for ordinary labourers in the present operations are 11 American cents per hour.—United Press.

## CHINA FIGHTING INFLATION

San Francisco, March 12.

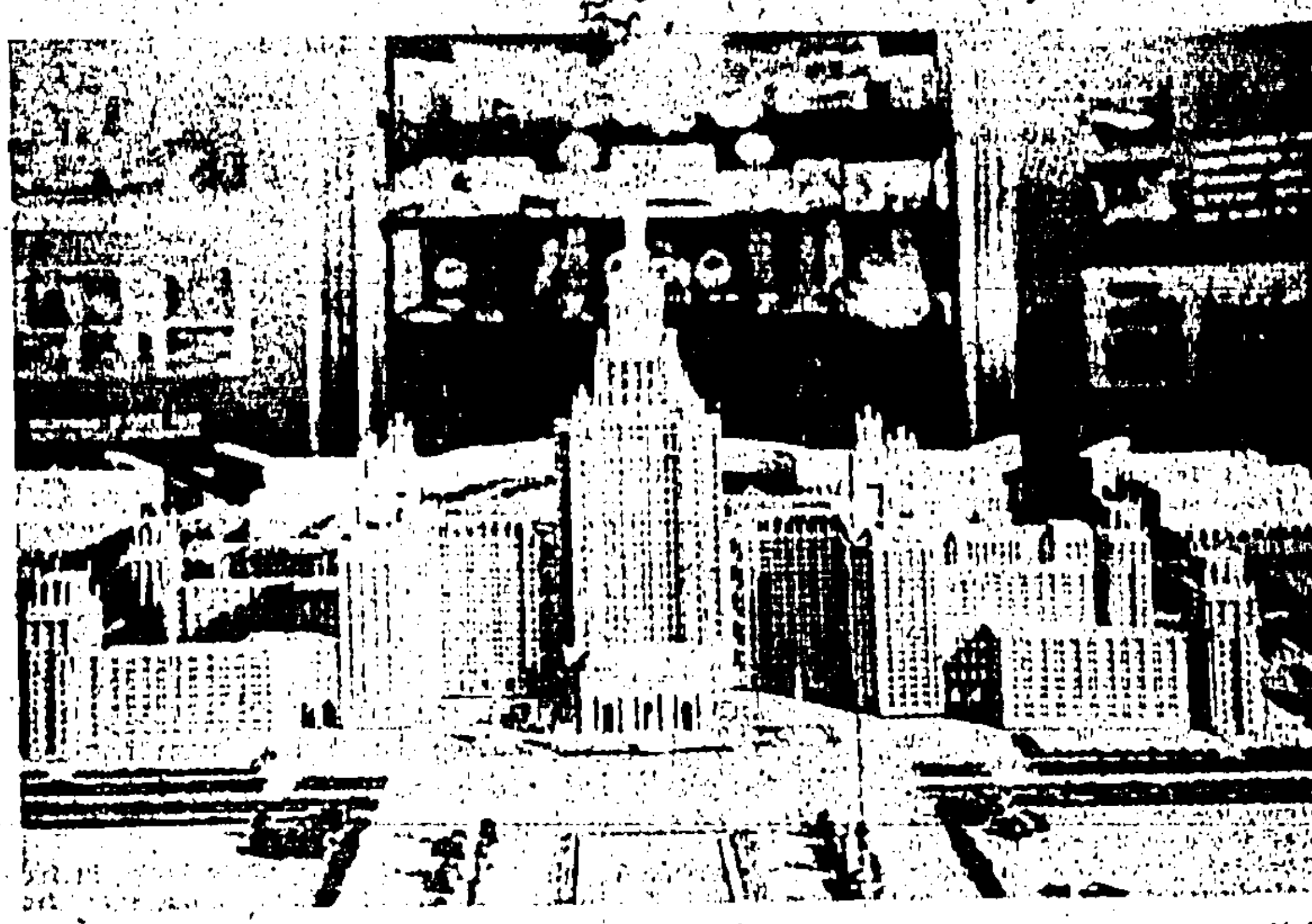
A novel method of fighting inflation is being tried by the Chinese Communists.

A Peking broadcast heard in San Francisco today says that in Manchuria State-owned trading concerns are holding bargain sales of commodities.

The object, it says, is to call back the amount of currency stipulated by the Department of Commerce.

The idea apparently is to take out of circulation the money collected by the State stores, but neither the amount nor how the stores will balance their books are mentioned.—Associated Press.

## New university for Moscow



Picture in a Moscow Museum is the model of the projected 20-story new Moscow University building. Situated in the Lenin Hills, the city's highest point, the new University will be the Central structure in a massive group of buildings which will house thousands of students. The University itself is to have scores of classrooms, libraries, and laboratory and other facilities for the Moscow University—science facilities.—(AP Photo.)

## ISRAEL-JORDAN PACT SIGNATURE REVEALED

Jerusalem, March 12.

An Israel-Jordan five years' non-aggression pact was signed in secret in Jerusalem at the end of last month. But there will be no official announcement for another month.

The secret signing ceremony in the now evacuated Jewish Hadassah Hospital on the neutral United Nations-controlled Mount Scopus came after several preliminary meetings in King Abdullah's Palace in Shuneh in the Jordan Valley, North of the Dead Sea. The Associated Press was informed by reliable private source.

Earlier reports from Arab and Israel sources regarding the conclusion of an Israel-Jordan pact were officially denied here, in Tel Aviv, and in Amman, and this one may also be denied pending its official announcement after the April Parliamentary elections in Jordan.

Technically the pact implies automatic five-year prolongation of the armistice agreement between the two countries signed in Rhodes last April, but it includes several changes.

Jeans living in the Israel-administered part of Jerusalem are to be granted unrestricted access to Mount Scopus with the Hadassah Hospital, Hebrew University and Jewish National Library. Arabs living in the Jordan-administered walled city section of Jerusalem will obtain a link between the old city and the Arab town of Bethlehem, South of Jerusalem.

## Military clause

Mutual concessions will necessitate some slight territorial exchanges and the building of two new roads.

## DISCOVERER OF URANIUM DEAD

Chicago, March 12.

Dr. Arthur J. Dempster, 63, atomic scientist who discovered uranium 235, died on Saturday in Stuart, Florida, where he was on holiday.

He was considered the leading U.S. authority on mass spectroscopy, the science of determining the precise weight of nuclei and isotopes of atoms.

With his spectroscopy he discovered uranium 235 in 1935. It was an important link in the chain of discoveries which led to the atom bomb.

He was one of the key scientists in the Manhattan district atomic project during the war.—Associated Press.

## Foreign reaction

The Israel Coalition Government, backed by a Parliamentary majority, is expected to stress the advantages of a five-year armistice with its Eastern neighbour and possible better prospects for a final peace treaty after that period.

The Associated Press, joining that a number of foreign Consuls in Jerusalem see in the armistice pact an extension of the further diminishing chances of Jerusalem being "Gentileized" under the UN decision of December 9 to internationalise the city and its surroundings, on which the Trusteeship Council are now working in Geneva.

It is understood, however, that the Hadassah pact does not mention the Holy places in the Jerusalem area, thus apparently still leaving open the possibility of the consent to UN supervision of these sites.—Associated Press.

## WILL OF SHANGHAI WOMAN HELD UP

Chicago, March 12.

A \$4,442 estate left to a Hangchow, China, orphanage is being held up here pending proof that the orphanage has not become a Communist school.

The money was bequeathed by Josephine Mead Sweet, former Evanston, Illinois, resident who died in a Shanghai prison camp in 1945. She had been a missionary. Before the war she lived in Shanghai.

A copy of her will in Chicago left Miss Sweet's estate to the Faith, Hope and Love Orphanage in Hangchow, and named two Chinese women, Louise Chen and Violet Fu, as executors. They have not been traced.

The Public Administrator, John T. Dempsey, turned the case over to an attorney, William J. Lunn, his representative.

Mr. Lunn said he has nine months the time before the estate will be legally closed to determine whether the orphanage has been taken over by the Communists.

"If it has," he said, "you can bet they won't get the money." He has written letters all over China and to the orphanage but has received no reply from the latter.—Associated Press.

## Visa fees to be returned

Haifa, March 12.

American passengers on board the British cruise liner Corona in Haifa for a day tour last week will be refunded the visa fees, \$10, collected from them by the Israeli Consul in New York.

The passengers landed in Israel for one day only while the ship was in Haifa port and complained of payment of visa fees.

Following criticism raised in the local Press and public bodies regarding the organisation and reception of the tourists here, it is reported that official bodies concerned here are to introduce improvements in the treatment of tourists while visiting Israel.—Associated Press.

## ADELPHI HOTEL INCIDENT

Singapore, March 12.

The Egyptian couple who were injured by a grenade tossed in the Adelphi Hotel dining room here were Mr. and Mrs. Georges M. Antaki, who were returning from Jakarta.

Shrapnel struck the woman in the chest and legs and her husband in the legs.

Both were released from hospital following treatment. Two hotel waiters were scratched and bruised by fragments.—Associated Press.

## SPENDER TRIP TO THE PI

Canberra, March 12.

The Australian Foreign Minister, Percy Spender, said today "My visit to the Philippines Islands can well be described as a goodwill mission."

The visit has nothing to do with any formal discussions or any pact agreement nor is it intended as preliminary to such discussions. We will talk informally of all problems common to our two countries.—United Press.

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## Fighting fire at sea



This picture shows the scene from the upper deck of the destroyer HMS Childers as she moved in to fight the fire on the smoke-shrouded British merchantman as Benedi. The destroyer was ordered from Malta to assist the Benedi which was reported on fire. The Benedi was on a voyage from U.K. to the Far East. The destroyer put out a fire party who fought the blaze till nightfall when they were relieved by other vessels. Members of the crew of the Benedi were picked by the British merchantman as British Liberty after they had taken to the boats. They were subsequently transferred to the Childers and returned to Malta. (Associated Press Photo)

## FUCHS-WHY, WHY, WHY?

Klaus, Emil Julius Fuchs, the German Communist who became one of Britain's top atomic scientists, will almost certainly prove to be one of the very small group of people who, as individuals, have changed the course of history.

How did it happen?

The facts as we know them today are probably all that we shall have for years. From them some damning conclusions emerge which our national pride must be faced.

Fuchs was granted British nationality in 1942. It was known then that he was a Communist. In the words of the Attorney-General at Wednesday's trial:

"It was realised that Fuchs, when examined by the aliens tribunal, was a refugee from Nazi persecution because in Germany he was a Communist."

### Beyond any code of loyalty

Sir Hartley Shawcross added that there was no indication that Fuchs had any association with British members of the Communist Party.

At that time Communist Russia was our ally in the deadly struggle against Germany. Then and for years afterwards she was regarded here and in the United States with generous feelings that we now know were never reciprocated.

In those days we had much to learn about the peculiar Communist attitude of mind which permits its possessors to believe profoundly that anything they do to aid Communism is legitimate, indeed praiseworthy—and beyond judgment by any rule of ethics or any code of loyalty.

Consequently there was no reason to suspect a man because he held, or had held, the political faith of an ally who was fighting a great and gallant battle.

But by 1946 the international climate had changed.

A very chill wind had set in from the East. The shape of the Russian map for expansion was becoming clear. Those in high places, with access to information not publicly available, knew better than anyone else that Communists were becoming a security risk.

In due course, the position of known and suspected Communists in public life in Britain was reviewed. Civil servants—often comparatively minor people in comparatively minor posts—who were tainted with Communism were moved lest they should harm the national interest.

YET THE BIGGEST DANGER OF ALL ESCAPED NOTICE AND, APPARENTLY, ANY BREATH OF SUSPICION UNTIL 1949.

It even required some sort of change of mind on Fuchs' part to secure his conviction.

How did it happen? Was the fact known in 1942 that Fuchs had been a Communist still in his dossier in 1946?

If it was missing, why? And if it was there, did it bring, as it did for the small fry, an in-conditional security check?

And if there was such a check, how did Fuchs slip through it?

Did Fuchs outwit the most famous intelligence service in the world? Or did someone in high office, faced with an in-conditional security check, deem it inadvisable to insist on the usual inquiry, or to take any security check at all?

We do not know. But we do know that the facts seem to show that because of this disastrous chain of events, Russia has overhauled us on the atom bomb and

By ROBERT DOW

### No longer an ace of trumps

The long-term consequences we cannot yet assess, but the short-term effect is that our ace of trumps is reduced to somewhere about the value of a knave.

Our future co-operation with the United States on atom and hydrogen bomb research must be impeded, as indeed must our partnership in any project within the Top Secret classification.

Here again the long-term effects cannot be fully foreseen but the immediate results can only be very bad—and that at a time when the closest co-operation and confidence between the two great democracies are of vital importance to the future of the world.

The Fuchs fiasco can only strengthen the resolution of Soviet Russia to press her schemes for world expansion, backed if necessary by force, since she now knows that if she is resisted by atomic weapons, she can match them.

DISASTROUS AS ARE THE WORLD REPERCUSSIONS, THEY HARDLY OVERSHADOW THE DOMESTIC ISSUES.

Suspicion of any person with Communist affiliations, no matter how remote—and overlaid, they seem, is now more than justified. It is obligatory.

### Tardy discovery of way of life

Fuchs has also done a vast dis-service to the many thousands of foreign refugees, German and otherwise, in Britain.

After 16 years of hospitality in this country even traitor Fuchs apparently allowed himself the luxury of deciding that there might be something to be said for the British way of life compared with Stalinist Russia.

His tardy discovery of a fact that far less brilliant brains have found out in much less time may lead some to conclude that the poor young man, given another 30 years or even less, might have developed into quite a creditable British citizen—always supposing that his dalliance with Soviet agents had left a Britain for him to inhabit.

But a more widespread result may be to turn suspicion against the overwhelming majority of harmless aliens, who ask nothing better than to settle here, and to involve them in unpleasant and embarrassing inquiries into their antecedents.

The Fuchs case may still do some little good if we learn the

lesson that the last four years have rubbed patiently into our unresponsive minds.

It is that Communism is a mental disease against which even the strongest minds are not proof.

The most unlikely breeding ground for Communism thirty years ago, as Lenin was quick to observe, was Britain; which is why he and his successors have never given more than a scathing and spasmodic half-support to its adherents in this country.

Even British Communists found their instinctive preference for "bourgeois" honesty a stumbling block.

One of the few genuine laughs ever heard in the Kremlin was caused by the refusal of a British delegate at a Comintern meeting between the wars to accept a Russian suggestion to double cross the British trade union movement on the ground that "that would be a lie."

Klaus Fuchs did not suffer from any such trivial affection for truth and honesty—not can we proceed on the assumption that our own Communists are still so squeamish.

The Communist menace today comes not from the avowed party member in Dockland or Factory Street but from men and women in high walks of life who, like miniature versions of Fuchs, give no hint that their first allegiance is to the Kremlin.

If one adds the Fuchs case to the earlier British and Canadian atom spy cases and the ambiguous Alger Hiss affair in the U.S.A., one may be led to the melancholy conclusion that everyone with access to our secrets in the department of defence, foreign affairs and economics must not only be subjected to a rigorous security screening, but must be constantly watched while he holds such a job.

### Gigantic shadow of one man

That argument would lead straight to a fully-fledged police state, with its secret police, "special treatment," extrajudicial methods, concentration camps and universal mutual suspicion.

All this is unthinkable in Britain—but the fact that such an argument is conceivable is testimony to the terrible damage done by the Fuchs disclosures.

It is a staggering performance for one young German to have cast single-handed such a gigantic shadow over Britain and the whole Western world without firing a shot or even making a speech.

FUCHS HAD NO WEAPON BUT A BRILLIANT AND DISTORTED MIND. WE MUST SEE TO IT THAT THERE ARE NO MORE LIKE HIM.

## A NEW THEORY OF CREATION

New York, March 13. A new theory of creation has been given here. It is that the present solar system—the family of earth and planets—came into their present positions only a few thousand years ago.

This new theory was advanced by Dr. Immanuel Velikovsky, one of the founders of the University of Jerusalem, as a preview of his new book "Worlds in Collision" which will be issued in a few weeks (Macmillan).

The book upsets all cosmological assumptions that the planets have revolved in their present orbits for billions of years. With the theory of early men, the Bible and Homer, Dr. Velikovsky says, there are thousands of bits of evidence for the catastrophes that came from planets changing their orbits.

The biggest catastrophe came from Earth and Venus getting into the solar system when they nearly collided, not once but twice. Dr. Velikovsky claims there is good evidence for these two meetings, that the whole world knew, saw, suffered and left plenty of records.

Venus, he says, arrived late in the solar system's family. She probably entered in the form of a comet. She may have originated from an explosion on the giant planet Jupiter, or have arrived as a comet from some distant part of space.

The first Earth-Venus encounter occurred about 3,500 years ago. That was the period when the Israelites fled from Egypt and the Red Sea parted to let them through. Dr. Velikovsky explains how gravitational and electromagnetic disturbances from the two planets getting close might have accounted for the Red Sea parting and many other events of that period.

Fifty years later, a similar approach of Venus and Earth, he says, may account for the sun standing still as reported in Joshua. He says there is world-wide evidence that the sun did stand still, because the Earth's rotation virtually stopped for a while.

In those days when Venus was a newcomer in the solar system he estimates that she and the Earth came too close once every 50 years.

### Earth's orbit changed

About 1,000 years after the exodus from Egypt, there was a second period when history indicated another major upheaval, again due to Venus. That period, says Dr. Velikovsky, is referred to in Homer's Iliad and in the Bible. In these prophecies mountains are troubled and human carcasses lie thickly as dunes.

Mars and Venus, got close also during that period and Dr. Velikovsky says the Iliad tells of the encounter.

He says that the Earth's orbit changed more than once in those early historical times. Likewise, the length of the year changed. There may have been as much as five days' difference in the year. The length of the day altered.

The geographical position of the Earth's axis also changed. That is the North and the South Pole. These Pole positions changed repeatedly. He is not referring to the slow wobble of the Pole, which astronomy finds today and which changes the Pole star once in 5,000 years.

With the Pole tilting, the Pole moved down into latitudes of moderate temperatures. At the same time, warm regions moved into the Pole circle.

The magnetic Poles reversed only a few thousand years ago. The moon's orbit changed and the length of its passage around the Earth, called the lunar month, changed probably more than once.

Although this book has not been issued, it is already the subject of scientific controversy. Two national magazines have published stories about the human happenings which seem to support the new theory, and another is going to do so within a week.—Associated Press.

## LONDON AT THE WEEK-END

The week-end reviews of March 3 are mainly full of thoughts on the election. That happened a week ago. By the time this summary appears in print, another week will have passed. So those thoughts will be rather stale.

The first words printed in "The Tribune" are "Labour won the election. That simple piece of news has largely escaped the notice of the Tory Press, and it is necessary therefore to begin with it. . . . Given true leadership and a readiness to face the

About two per cent of voters used the postal ballot. These would have been excluded in former elections.

### The Far East

"The Economist" article on the Far East in its last week's issue is still being discussed. It was the most forthright argument yet published for a "strong" policy by the Western powers.

"It is only too clear on which side time is working in and around China. There may develop, in a matter of years and in ways not now predictable; im-

By Windrush

portant fissures in the Sino-Soviet front. But there certainly will develop in a matter of months and in ways already predictable, a landslide in the border states of Southern Asia towards co-operation with Communist China, unless they are told clearly and quickly where the spine of the Western governments is to be drawn.

Whatever town the warning may take, the fact has to be faced that readiness to resist the use of force is the only thing that will make it effective.

"TAIPEI" in the "Spectator." James Bridle writes a tribute to Sir Harry Lauder.

"Better times and words have had their vogue and died. 'I love a Lassie.' 'Reaming in the Gloom.' and 'The Wedding of Sandy McEwan' stick. They look very like being immortal. It may be because they carry with them—even to those who have never seen Lauder—the rolling light-footed swagger, the elish chuckle, the thunderous 're' and the friendly hypnotism of their story. Many of his serious-minded countrymen detested Lauder's creation of a comic Scot. But it was not intended to have any relationship with reality. It was a surrealist invention. . . . His robbin figure was pure piece of fantasy, like George Hooey's critical-looking crane."

### "Fear" election

The "New Statesman" discusses the way in which the Cabinet has been reconstructed to suit the new situation in the House.

"If Labour had won a majority of 80, the balance no doubt would have been very differently weighted. Mr. Bevan and Mr. Strachey, as well as Mr. Shinwell, would have received promotion, and the number of posts allotted to safe men correspondingly reduced."

Some readers, on seeing this, will feel relief for the way Fuchs' 23 went.

The "New Statesman" thinks that the election was one of "fear."

"The country split on class lines to an unprecedented degree. Both sides were clearly prompted by fear: the middle classes by fear of the drastic re-levelling-down, the workers by fear lest Labour defeat would expose them once again to the miseries they remembered."

The "New Statesman" puts its telescope to its blind eye. We can see no evidence that the country has voted against nationalisation.

"The Economist" makes a very elaborate analysis of the election results, and actually succeeds in discovering some facts not already noticed by the other papers. For example, it points out that under the electoral system there is always a slight bias in favour of the Conservatives, due to the fact that there are nearly 50 constituencies which habitually return Labour members with very large majorities.

"The more intensive grouping of the Labour Party's strength, piling Pelton upon Ossa in the strongholds, is bound to count against it in the electoral struggle. To get a clear majority in seats in a general election Labour will have to get at least one per cent more of the popular vote than the Conservatives would need for the same results."

"The Economist" is less impressed than other papers by the high percentage of those who went to the poll. It thinks that this was partly due to the improved register. "It is in part a book-keeping change. The removal of dead names from the register has reduced the nominal electorate by three per cent."

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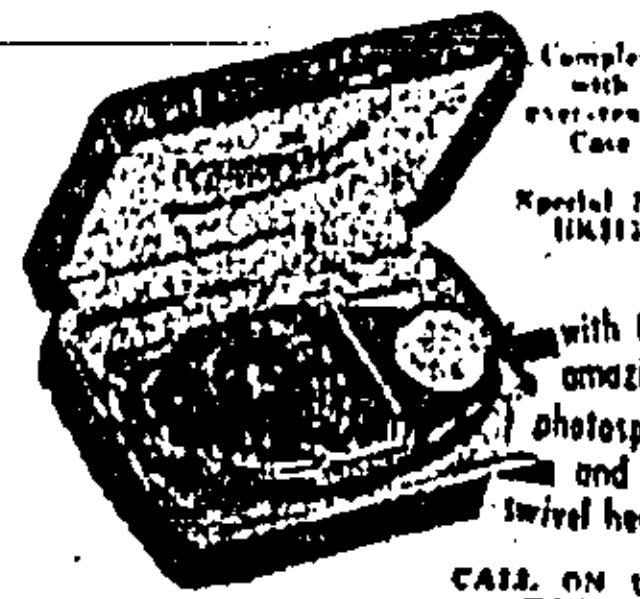
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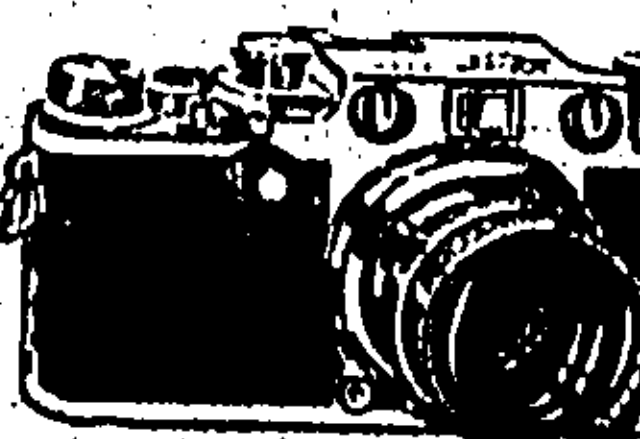
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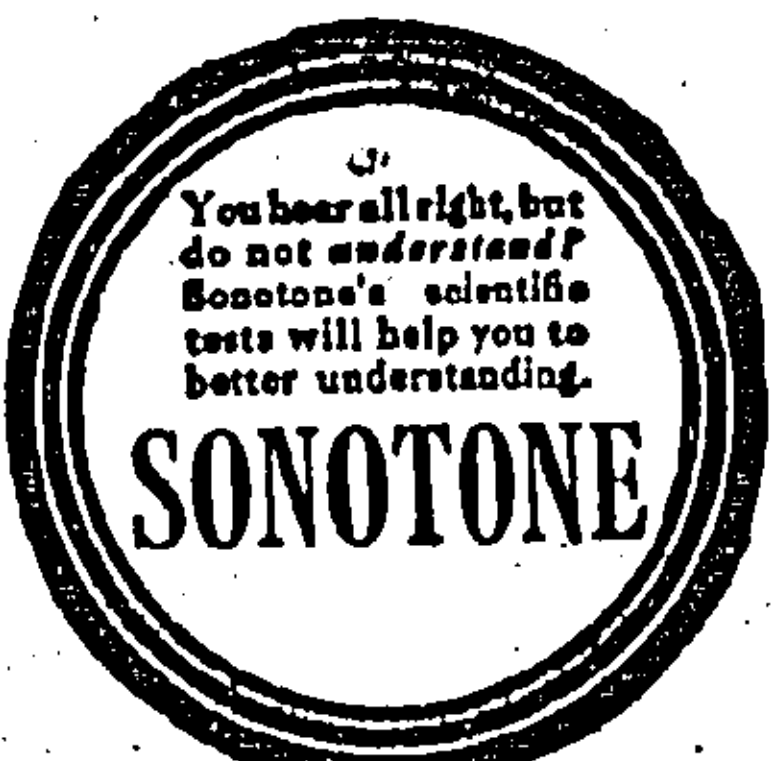
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## Expelled by Poles



Nearly 700 Germans were expelled by Polish authorities from the former German territory East of the Oder-Neisse Line. They arrived in West Germany the same day after crossing the Soviet Zone border. The refugees found temporary shelter in a camp near Friedland in the British Zone. These are expected to be followed by 25,000 more in the next few months. The expelled Germans will be housed with relatives or distributed among the West German States. Carrying their few belongings in small bundles, members of the refugee group are shown near the shelter camp. (AP Photo).

## Agreement reached on Greek coalition

Athens, March 12.

Leaders of four Greek Centre Parties reached agreement today on the formation of a Coalition Cabinet and sent a general statement of their policy to King Paul.

General Nicholas Plastiras, leader of a dissident Liberal Party, would be the Prime Minister in a Cabinet comprising five other members of his own Party and six each from the Liberals, Social Democrats and Republican Progressives, the Party leader announced.

This move, if approved by the King, would expel M. Constantin "Tsakalof", traditionally Royalist Populist Party, which gained top place in last Sunday's general election.

The Centre Party leaders do not expect the King's reply before tomorrow.

The Liberal leader, M. Sophocles Venizelos, would be Foreign Minister and M. Georges Papandreu, the Social Democrat leader, would be Minister of the Interior.

M. Emmanuel Tsouderos, leader of the comparatively minor group of Republican Progressives, would be Minister for Economic Co-ordination. The Centre Parties, in their policy draft submitted to the King, made the following points: 1.—Unreserved recognition of a "Royal democracy."

2.—In foreign policy Greece maintains its position towards the West, to which Greece owes its independence and economic recovery. Greece desires good relations with her neighbours and will respond to any manifestation of friendly feelings.

3.—Greece's security is based on the strength of its armed forces and continued co-operation with the United Nations.

4.—The Government will try to bring peace to the country and establish the equality of its citizens before the law.

5.—The best use will be made of American aid.

6.—A purge will be carried out and State funds protected from embezzlers.

7.—Social justice will be accorded to all—and an improved standard of living to the working classes.

Political quarters in Athens are sceptical whether the King will immediately accept the offer by the leaders of the three Centre Parties to form a Coalition Cabinet under General Plastiras. They point out that the names of the elected Deputies have not been proclaimed by a Court of Justice as required by law, and their proclamation is not expected before March 25.

The King cannot swear in a new Cabinet until after then.—Reuter.

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## Japanese scientist's suicide

Tokyo, March 13.

A Japanese woodcutter yesterday discovered the dead bodies of the Japanese wartime scientist, Dr. Toshio Otsuki, and his secretary, who eloped and took cyanide in a lovers' suicide.

Japanese police and newspapermen had combed the dense bear-infested forest of Izu peninsula for nine days following Dr. Otsuki's disappearance from Tokyo on March 1.

Otsuki, aged 41, was claimed to be a genius after his balloon-borne bomb landed in Oregon, United States, in 1945, killing six people.

He and his 23-year-old secretary, Futami Urakihara, were found bound to each other with mufflers.

A final note by Otsuki said: "We took poison at 10.00 hours on March 5."

A letter by Futami to a girl friend in Tokyo, written on March 4, said that she and Otsuki climbed Mount Aso to commit suicide that day, but decided to postpone suicide for one more day because they were enjoying the beautiful spring weather. One of Otsuki's scientific colleagues, Dr. Hideo Yagi, on hearing confirmation of Otsuki's death declared: "He was a very able man; he really did his study, the balloon bomb, but he was a research man on death rays, radio-controlled tanks and many secret weapons."—Reuter.

## THREE-POWER TALKS ON ASIA SITUATION

Washington, March 12.

A three-power conference of the U.S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, the British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, is likely in London toward the end of April.

South East Asia will be one of the most important subjects on the agenda.

A meeting of the Atlantic Pact Council, composed of the Foreign Ministers of member nations, is likely to be held simultaneously in London instead of some time afterwards, so as not to give the impression that the United States, Britain and France are trying to lay down policy for other nations.

Holding of the conferences in London is regarded as virtually certain, due to the inability of Mr. Bevin to get away to any other capital in view of the British Government's slender majority in Parliament.

It appears that South East Asia will take precedence over other subjects in the three-power talks, due to the expectation that Communist China will increase its aid to Communists in the South in the next few months.

**Bao regime**

The French Government is aware of the United States Government's desire to see the Bao Dai regime in Indo-China assume maximum possible responsibilities and receive substantial economic aid.

However, the French viewpoint is that officials of the Bao Dai Government, in addition to talking of their responsibilities, must also be willing to assume them and carry them out. So far, the French claim, there has not been extensive evidence of this.

The French believe this can only come about when United States military aid to French Union forces in Indo-China has begun to bring results. Until that happens, the French consider that many of Bao Dai's officials, feeling repaid by Communist elements, will be afraid of their responsibilities.

It is hoped that, as a result of the expected conversations this week in Paris and Washington, the American and French authorities will agree on how to proceed with the expected American economic aid to Indo-China and what is the best way to encourage Bao Dai's officials fully to carry out their responsibilities. M. Acheson is expected to give Mr. Bevin an encouraging picture of the decline of Communist influence in France and to say that the present violent Communist tactics there are proof of this.—United Press.

## FRENCH REDS MOSCOW STOODGES

Paris, March 12.  
The Defence Minister, Rene Pleven, said today that the French Communists are following orders, obviously from Moscow, in their attempts to stir up trouble in Western Europe.

M. Pleven said the recent Communist violence in Palestine had followed similar fights in Italy and the Netherlands.

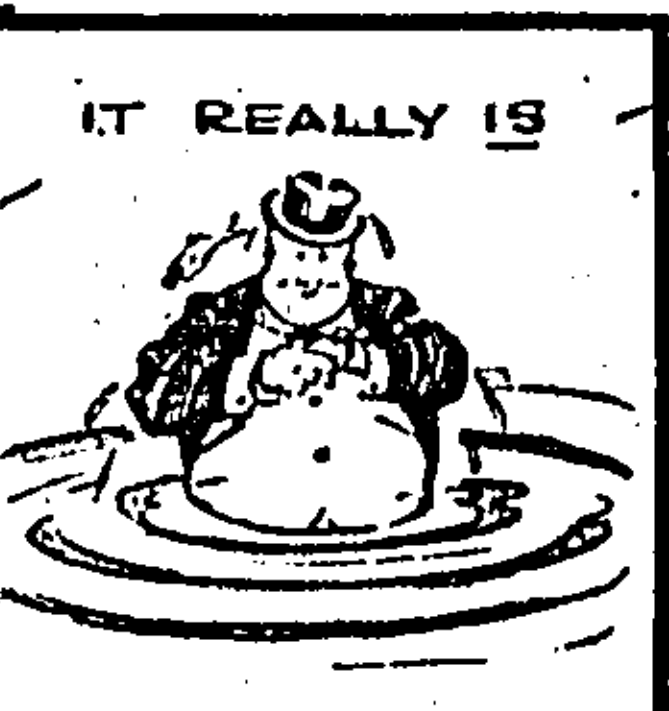
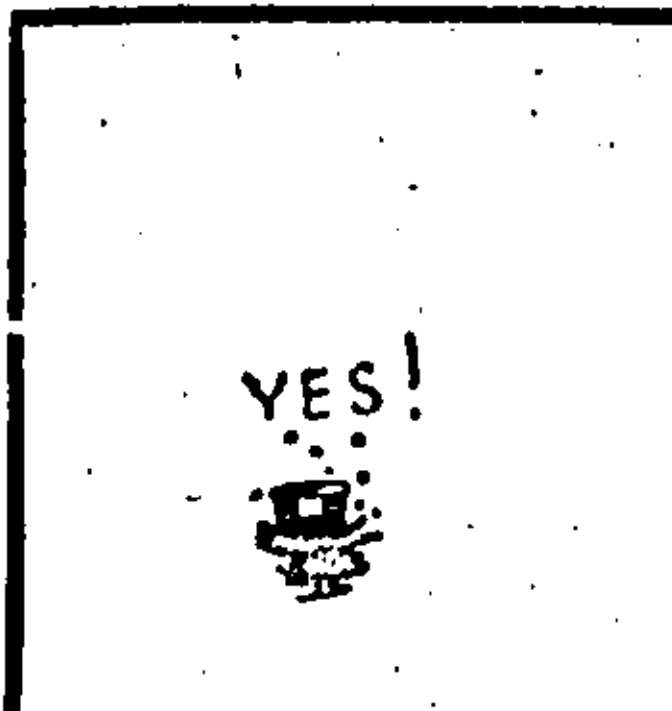
He added: "This proves the Communist Party is obeying a general order aimed at sowing trouble in the Western Democracies."

The Defence Minister said the violence is a sign of Communist weakness for they now know they cannot, through the unions, paralyse French ports, mines and factories.—Associated Press.

## SPELLMAN ON WAY HOME

Barcelona, March 12.  
Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, and his party of Holy Year Roman Catholic pilgrims, left tonight on board the liner Atlantic to return to the United States. The Cardinal and his party are on the way home from Rome.—Associated Press.

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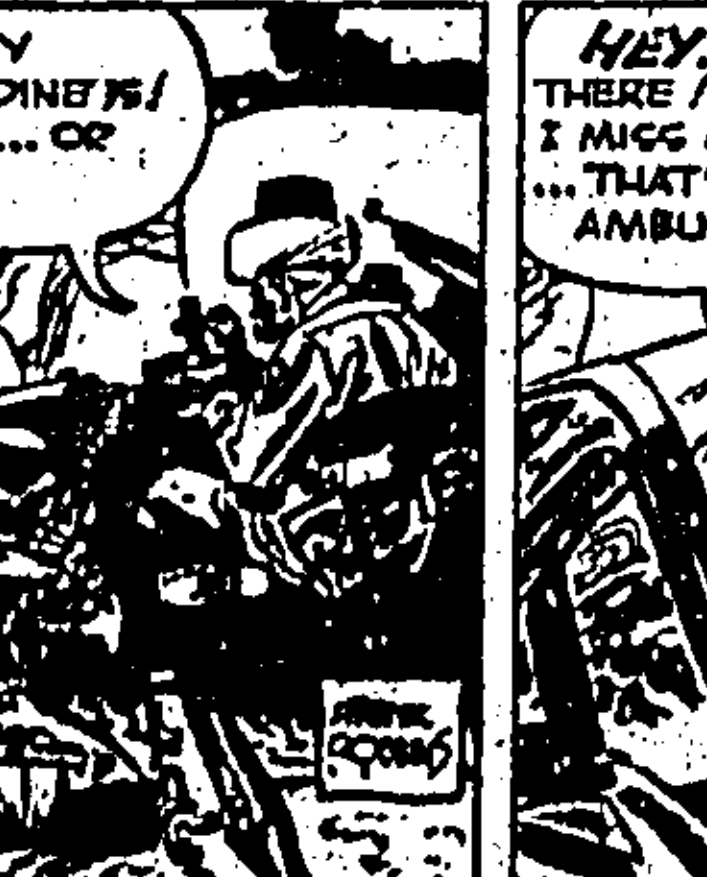
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# BIG INCREASE IN JAPANESE EXPORTS

Washington, March 12.

Japan's export trade registered a heavy increase during 1949, amounting to \$510,900,000, the Commerce Department said in a preliminary survey of Japan's international business. The figure was almost double that for 1948 when only \$258,300,000 worth of goods were shipped abroad.

## MONTY ON NEED FOR UNITY

Oslo, March 12.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, the Western Union Defence Chairman, asserted today that the safety of the Western democracies depends upon their unity.

Replying at a Press conference to questions about the significance of Russia having the atom bomb, Lord Montgomery said that it was not a matter of having the biggest or best bomb, but whether the Western democracies could and would co-operate to gain strength through unity.

"Strength to unity is my motto," he said.

In reply to further questions he added that unity is almost impossible unless each country is willing to give up some of its sovereignty if necessary.

Asked about the significance for land warfare of newly developed weapons, Lord Montgomery said: "The scientists have not yet produced any weapons which would lead me to think that one would not still fight battles on land."

He refused to reply to any questions of a political nature. Asked his views on the possible building up of the German Army, he said: "Nothing to do with me, thank goodness. That is a decision to be taken at the highest political levels."

Asked to comment on reports of his disagreements with General de Lattre de Tassigny, Lord Montgomery replied: "The best of husbands and wives can disagree, and so can soldiers. But they work together alright."

Reuter.

## BROADCAST BY MENZIES

Canberra, March 12.

The Prime Minister, R.G. Menzies, broadcasting to the nation today, said: "We emerged from the war better equipped than ever to expand industries and become exporters, but opportunities were lost."

"However, the Government feels we should direct much energy towards exploitation of natural resources to meet both the greatly-increased needs of the growing population and the demands of overseas customers."

—United Press.

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| 7.30—Musical Clock.            | 12.30—Light Music.                 |
| 7.45—Ed. A. Keller Programme.  | 1.00—Swing.                        |
| 8.00—News & Weather Forecast.  | 1.15—News.                         |
| 8.15—Salon Concert Players.    | 1.30—From The Shows.               |
| 9.00—Morning Music.            | 1.45—Music From The Tunes.         |
| 9.30—Concert & Keyboard.       | 2.00—The Novelties Trio.           |
| 10.00—The Four Knights.        | 2.15—Tropics.                      |
| 11.00—Waltz Time.              | 2.30—Vocally Yours.                |
| 11.15—Parade of Rhythms, P.M.  | 2.45—Music Makers.                 |
| 11.30—H.K. Stock Exchange.     | 3.00—Music From The Corner.        |
| 11.45—Ed. A. Keller Programme. | 3.15—Movie Time.                   |
| 12.00—News & Weather Forecast. | 3.30—Radio Headlines.              |
| 12.15—Salon Concert Players.   | 3.45—Theatrical Sinners.           |
| 12.30—Morning Music.           | 3.55—The Jazzy Singers.            |
| 12.45—Concert & Keyboard.      | 4.00—Local News.                   |
| 1.00—The Four Knights.         | 4.15—Beethoven's Symphony No. 5.   |
| 1.15—Waltz Time.               | 4.30—Laten to Liebert.             |
| 1.30—Parade of Rhythms, P.M.   | 4.45—Harmonica Harmony.            |
| 1.45—Music From The Tunes.     | 5.00—Sammy Kaye and His Orchestra. |
| 2.00—The Novelties Trio.       | 5.15—Rediffusion Request Show.     |
| 2.15—Tropics.                  | 5.30—B.B.C. News.                  |
| 2.30—Vocally Yours.            | 5.45—Local News.                   |
| 2.45—Music Makers.             | 5.55—Vincent Lopez.                |
| 3.00—Music From The Corner.    | 6.00—"Pee For All".                |
| 3.15—Movie Time.               | 6.15—Anne Ziegler & Webster Booth. |
| 3.30—Radio Headlines.          | 6.30—"Hours of Darkness".          |
| 3.45—Theatrical Sinners.       | 6.45—Planets.                      |
| 3.55—The Jazzy Singers.        | 6.55—Hardy's.                      |
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Hong Kong, March 14, 1950.

Americans working with Japanese businessmen are trying to push 1350 exports to about 50 per cent more than those for 1948. However, officials here decline to forecast the 1950 figure, other than saying they expect Japan's imports this year to go up to about \$1,000,000,000 and that Japan will be able to finance about \$800,000,000 of the expected imports by its foreign trade.

Officials in Washington view last year's increase enthusiastically and point out that the total for 1947 was only \$176,000,000. The September, 1948, to December, 1949 period showed \$103,300,000 for exports. However, despite this increase for 1949, exports, it was outweighed by \$865,500,000 in imports, leaving a deficit of \$354,600,000.

Despite the fact that the U.S. had to finance Japan's raw materials needs for 1949 to that extent, officials believe the deficit this year will not be more than \$200,000,000 and possibly less.

The 1948 excess of imports over exports was \$424,300,000, the Department said. The 1947 deficit was \$353,500,000. Exchange of goods between Japan and the sterling area during the year ending next June 30 is expected to reach \$1,623,380,000. This is under the agreement of last November recently reviewed in Tokyo.

## Increase expected

To the end of last year under the agreement (six months), purchases arranged in Japan by

## Dr. Jessup to answer charges

Paris, March 13.

The U.S. roving Ambassador, Dr. Philip C. Jessup, announced today that he has volunteered to fly to Washington immediately to answer Senatorial allegations that he is friendly to Communism. Dr. Jessup, completing a round-the-world intensive study of Far Eastern affairs, said he was communicating with Washington about a possible appearance before a Senate foreign relations sub-committee investigating allegations of Red influence in the State Department.

The Ambassador previously had planned to leave by ship for New York on Wednesday.

Senator Joseph McCarthy, Wisconsin Republican, whose charges touched off the investigation, told the sub-committee last week that Dr. Jessup had an unusual affinity for Communist cause.

Following Senator McCarthy's statement, Senator Millard Tydings, Maryland Democrat, invited Dr. Jessup to appear before the committee. Dr. Jessup said he would be glad to appear "if the Tydings committee wishes to devote a little time to disposing of the allegations that I am friendly to Communism."

Dr. Jessup arrived from London yesterday for a series of conferences with French foreign official and Marshall Plan leaders about dollar aid for three French union states in Indo-China-Vietnam Laos and Cambodia.—Associated Press.

## BEVIN LEAVES HOSPITAL

London, March 13.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, today left the hospital where he had been having injections for heart trouble.

Mr. Bevin was lunching at his home in central London and is due to go to the House of Commons this evening.

He is due back at work in the Foreign Office tomorrow morning. It is understood that he may make further week-end visits to hospital for treatment during the next few months.—Reuter.

## NEW POA SERVICE TO TOKYO

Singapore, March 13.

A new Singapore-to-Tokyo air service is to be run by the Pacific Overseas Airlines. Mr. B. C. Daniels, the Malayan manager of the airline, said that the service would start from Singapore on March 18, using Skymasters and travelling via Bangkok, Hainan, Hong Kong, Taipei, South Korea to Tokyo. Mr. Daniels said that another airline, the Norwegian Brathens, South American Far East Airlines, had made application to run another Skymaster service through Singapore from Oslo and Hong Kong.—Reuter.

## New device to detect radiation

Washington, March 12. American scientists have perfected a new device to detect atomic radiation, which is far more sensitive than present instruments, the Atomic Energy Commission disclosed. The new detector is based on the discovery that ionizing radiation will cause certain types of crystal to flash or scintillate, it said.—Reuter.

## RADIO

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12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.45—Gems of Jazz on the Piano. 12.55—Melodies from British Radio—Waltz George Crows and His Blue Melodians Dance Orchestra & Barbara Sumner (BBC).

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25—Interlude. 1.30—"The Orchestra of the Week"—The City of Birmingham Orchestra Conducted by George Weldon.

2.00—Close Down. 2.05—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

2.15—"Hello Guide"—"A Thinking Day" Programme.

2.30—"Cantonese by Radio"—Given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and Mr. S. K. Lee. (Studio).

2.45—"Three Parades"—Played by London Promenade Orchestra.

3.00—World News and News Analysis. 3.15—"Letter from America"—By Allister Cooke (London Relay Recorded).

3.30—"Stage and Screen Favourites"—Presented by Allen Woods (Studio).

3.45—"From the Editorials"—(London Relay).

4.00—"Box 200"—Bert Gillette at the Hammond Organ. (Relay from Forces Education Centre).

4.15—"The Blue Danube"—The True Story of the Strauss Family and Their Contemporaries.

4.30—"Forum of the Air"—Members: Marjorie Allinson-Alister, Bille Kerr—Len Starbuck, Guest: Robert Bruce, Question Master: Norman Tucker. (Studio).

4.45—Interlude. 4.50—"Piano Recital by Caroline Bragg. (Studio).

5.00—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).

5.15—Weather Report. 5.20—New Light Symphony Orchestra. 5.25—Dance to Joe Loss and His Orchestra. 5.30—Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain (London Relay Recorded).

5.45—Close Down. 5.50—Close Down.

## CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

### Lesson 29

|                                |                                                                            |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Vocabulary:                    | Rent. To rent.                                                             |
| 138. (tsu) dzoh(1)             | A floor. A storey.                                                         |
| 139. (lau) (1)lau (or) lau(2)  | A layer.                                                                   |
| 140. (tsang) (1)tsung          | Classifier for storeys.                                                    |
| 141. (se) seh(2)               | To write.                                                                  |
| 142. (tin) (3)deen             | Electricity.                                                               |
| 143. (tsin) tsen(1)            | Thousand.                                                                  |
| Combinations:                  |                                                                            |
| 1. ook(1) dzoh(1)              | House rent.                                                                |
| 2. Dzoh(1) ook(1)              | To rent a house.                                                           |
| 3. ook(1) dzoh(1)              | To let. To rent.                                                           |
| 4. (3)tsin lau(2)              | 1st floor.                                                                 |
| 5. Saam(1) lau(2)              | 2nd floor.                                                                 |
| 6. Gay(2) lau(2)               | What floor?                                                                |
| 7. Yut(1) (1)tsung (1)lau.     | One storey. One flat.                                                      |
| 8. Seh(2) (3)deen              | To write.                                                                  |
| 9. Seh(2) jee(2)               | A clerk.                                                                   |
| 10. Seh(2) (3)deen (1)lau.     | An office.                                                                 |
| 11. (3)deen joong(1)           | An electric clock (or bell).                                               |
| 12. (3)deen wah(2)             | A telephone.                                                               |
| 13. Dai(2) (3)deen-wah(2)      | To telephone.                                                              |
| General Expressions:           |                                                                            |
| 38. (3)Daan (3)hal.            | But. However.                                                              |
| Conversation:                  |                                                                            |
| 1. A. (2)Ngaw serng(2)         | I want to rent an office.                                                  |
| dzoh(1) (yut(1))-gaan(1)       |                                                                            |
| seh(2) (3)deen (1)lau.         | Is there an office to let?                                                 |
| 2. (2)Yau seh(2) (3)deen-      |                                                                            |
| dzoh(1) dzoh(1) dzoh(1)        | Oh! You want to rent an office?                                            |
| 1)lau meh(3)                   | There is one in that street—a very good one.                               |
| 3. Gaw(2) (1)teeoo gaye(1)     | What floor is it on?                                                       |
| (2)Yau yut(1) gaan(1)          | It's on the 3rd floor.                                                     |
| hoh(2) hoh(2) geh(3)           | Is there a telephone?                                                      |
| 5. A. Hal(2) gay(2)-lau(2)     | What's the rent per month?                                                 |
| 6. B. Hal(2) gay(3) (1)lau.    | The rent is \$1,000 per month.                                             |
| 7. A. (2)Yau (2)mooh (3)deen-  |                                                                            |
| wah(2) neh(1)?                 | But, you must first pay three months' rent and \$6,000 "tea money"         |
| 8. B. (2)Yau (3)deen-wah(2).   |                                                                            |
| 9. A. Gay(2)-dau(1) tsen(2)    | If you don't pay it, he won't rent it to you.                              |
| dzoh(1) yut(1)-gaw(3)          | I don't feel like paying it; but, I'll telephone tomorrow to let you know. |
| 10. B. Yut(1) tsen(1) mun(1)   |                                                                            |
| dzoh(1) yut(1)-gaw(3)          | Very well, I'll wait for your telephone call.                              |
| 11. (3)Daan (3)hal, yeeoo(3)   | What's your telephone number?                                              |
| seen(1) bay(2) saam(1)         | 12579.                                                                     |
| gaw(3) (3)Yuet dzoh(1)         |                                                                            |
| (1)loong (3)look-teen(1)       |                                                                            |
| mun(1) (1)chah-                |                                                                            |
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| 15. B. Hoh(2) lah(1), (2)ngaw  |                                                                            |
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| Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.            |                    |                     |
| HOMEWARDS                                                                         | LEAVES HONGKONG    | DUE LONDON          |
| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 15th Mar. (4 p.m.) | 17th April          |
| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 14th April         | 14th May            |
| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 14th May           | 15th June           |
| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 14th June          | 10th July           |
| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 7th July           | 8th August          |
| s.s. "CORFU"                                                                      | 4th August         | 8th September       |
| Accepting Cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & London. |                    |                     |
| FREIGHT SERVICE                                                                   |                    |                     |
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| s.s. "CANTON"                                                                     | 14th Mar.          | London & Continent. |
| s.s. "SHILLONG"                                                                   | 15th April         |                     |
| LEAVES HONGKONG FOR                                                               |                    |                     |
| s.s. "SOCOTRA"                                                                    | 26th March         | Kobe & Yokohama     |
| HOMEWARDS                                                                         | LEAVES HONGKONG    | FOR                 |
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| s.s. "BIRDHANA" | due 18th Mar.    | for Japan.                           |
| s.s. "BANGOLA"  | due 20th Mar.    | for Calcutta via Straits.            |
| s.s. "BANGOLA"  | due 15th Mar.    | for Calcutta via Rangoon & Straits.  |
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| s.s. "PEMDA"  | sailed 15th Mar. | for Japan.                              |
| s.s. "PEMDA"  | due 28th Mar.    | from Bombay.                            |
| s.s. "OZARDA" | due 2nd Mar.     | from Persian Gulf, Bombay & Straits.    |
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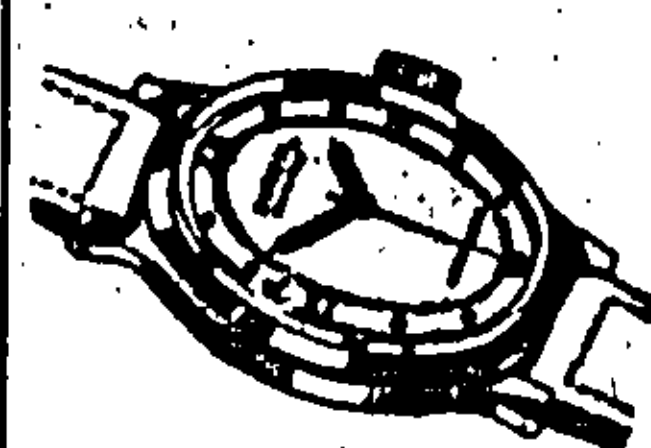












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# CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 1950.



## FINE TENNIS SEEN IN PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The remaining four Third Round matches in the Tennis Doubles Championships were played off yesterday at the Hong Kong Cricket Club and provided the spectators with some of the best tennis seen since the beginning of the Championships.

On the No. 1 Court the Tsui brothers took little more than half-an-hour to polish off D. Tsai and Choy Tin-fong, winning in straight sets 6-2, 6-3.

However the experience of the Tsuis and their coolness under pressure finally proved too much for the Tsais and Choy failed to settle down.

In the second set, the games went with the service until Tsai lost his through numerous errors to trail 2-4. Tsui Yan-pui won his service with some fine placement shots. However the next game went to Tsai and Choy through the Tsuis' error in up and committing several errors.

In the eighth game, Tsui Yan-pui poured his all into his service and won the game for set and match.

On Court No. 2, George Cho and J. W. Spence beat Choy Tin-wah and Wong Shiu-wing in three sets. The score being 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.

### Lucky to win

Cho and Spence were indeed lucky to win as in the opening set they were trailing 4 games to 1 and 15-40 down in the tenth game.

Neither Cho or Spence seemed to be able to get going up to that moment. Spence suddenly took it upon himself to win points and by brilliant storming of the net and fierce drives down the side-lines won the next two points for deuce. Choy and Wong held two more set points but Spence was not to be denied and in the end Cho and Spence won the game.

Possibly disappointed at losing the vital game Choy and Wong lost the next two games and thus the first set.

In the second set they came back with vim and vigour and by carefully placing their shots and aided by the numerous errors of their opponents won it 6-3 thus forcing the match into the deciding

However they appeared to tire rapidly while Spence came into his element. He was all over the court and his smashes were irresistible. Cho's game also began to pick up although he was content to leave the attack to his partner. He was merely content with keeping the ball in play. They ran up a 5-0 lead before losing a game on Choy's service. However they made no mistake about the seventh game and won that to clinch the match.

### Lo brothers lose

On Court 3 the two Lo brothers, Norman and Donald,

put up a grand fight against their more experienced opponents Gordon Lum and P. K. Tong. They went down fighting 8-6, 8-6.

It was mostly due to the tricky service and accurate lob of Tsui Wai-pui that the match was won in so short a time. D. Tsai and Choy Tin-fong did not disgrace themselves in the game and Choy especially caught the eye. His volley returns of drives often caught the opposition on the wrong foot.

On yesterday's showing Donald appeared the more steady of the two and seemed to be less used by the crowd. Norman was inclined to overhit in his eagerness and it was this which cost the youngsters the match.

On Court 4, K. H. Ip and Edwin Tsai beat the Ribeiro pair T. E. Rodrigues and F. Ribeiro 6-2, 7-5.

Ip and Tsai won the first set fairly easily, the Portuguese pair appearing to be overawed by their opponents.

However in the second set they lost their court nerves and by wonderful anticipation at the net by Ribeiro and fine placements by Rodrigues led 5-3. On Ribeiro's service they had three break points. The first was lost through an over-drive. The second was a heart-breaker. They lost it because Ribeiro foot-faulted as he served the second ball.

They were given a third chance to clinch the set when Ip drove into the net. However they drove again at the critical moment and Ip and Tsai took no chances and ran out the set at 7-5.

The following are the results: Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui beat D. Tsai and Choy Tin-wah 6-2, 6-3.  
G. Cho and J. W. Spence beat Choy Tin-wah and Wong Shiu-wing 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.  
G. Lum and P. K. Tong beat N. Lo and D. Lo 8-6, 8-6.  
K. H. Ip and E. Tsai beat T. E. Rodrigues and F. Ribeiro 6-2, 7-5.

In the Club's Singles Championship match played yesterday H. A. Ayres entered the semi-finals by defeating G. M. Geiz 8-2, 8-6.

## Mackie, Heath win Fanling Open Foursomes

The Men's Open Foursomes was won by Dr. J. B. Mackie and Mr. H. W. E. Heath who defeated Messrs. N. A. Brown and H. H. Mundy at the 18th hole.

Yet another name has to be added to the "Hole-in-One" Decanter. The distinction goes to Mr. D.S. Robb who did the 12th hole on the Old Course in one on Sunday.

"Club v Services" match: The Services were leading the Club by one point after the singles matches in the morning. However the Club scored a runaway victory after lunch and finally won the match by 3 1/2 points to 18 1/2 points. Detailed results were:

| Services v Club                        | S      | C      |
|----------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Maj. E.H.L. Fisher-J.B. Mackie         | 0      | 1      |
| Maj. A.K.C. Hilder-D.S. Robb           | 0      | 1      |
| Maj. D.H. Houston-J. Linaker           | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. R.W.L. McAllister-W.N.A. Smalley | 1      | 0      |
| Maj. E.V. Hawkins-J.C. Watson          | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. J.G. Hilder-D.H. Hale            | 0      | 1      |
| Cpl. J.H. Anderson-R.H. Golch          | 1      | 0      |
| Maj. J. Barrett-J.D. Calvert           | 0      | 1      |
| Lt. J.T. Hume-B.L. Cayford             | 0      | 1      |
| Maj. P.V. Gray-W.M. Simmons            | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. A.D. Macpherson-J.H. Kay         | 0      | 1      |
| F/Lt. J.B. Stablesford-T.H. Low        | 1      | 0      |
| Lt. Col. A.S. Shawhall-D.L. Anderson   | 1      | 0      |
| Lt. Col. G.L. Nelson-K.H. Richard      | 1      | 0      |
| R.D. Bell                              | 0      | 1      |
| Maj. J.V. Ferguson-E.T. McMillen       | 1      | 0      |
| Cpl. J.S. Macfarlane-P.D. Hunter       | 1      | 0      |
| Capt. A.C. Edgar-R.K. Collins          | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. W.D.M. Webb-R.R. Combe           | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. A.C. Gow-H.S. Anderson           | 1      | 0      |
| Lt. J.C.M. Baynes-R.E. Lee             | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. P.J. Woodward-R.E. Bailey        | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. J.M. Dickson-E.H. Selbury        | 0      | 1      |
| Capt. M.W. Smith-H.R. Cleland          | 1      | 0      |
| Capt. S.H. Matthews-H.M. Snow          | 1      | 0      |
| Morning Total                          | 18 1/2 | 12 1/2 |
| Shawhall & Nelson-Anderson             | 0      | 2      |
| Richard                                | 0      | 2      |
| Buchanan Dunlop & Ferguson             | 0      | 2      |
| Hill & McMillen                        | 0      | 2      |
| Macfarlane & Hunter                    | 0      | 2      |
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| Edgar & Webb-Collins & Combe           | 0      | 2      |
| Houston & McAllister-Linaker           | 0      | 2      |
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| Hawkins & Hilder-Watson                | 0      | 2      |
| Diak                                   | 0      | 2      |
| Woodward & Brinknell-Bailey            | 0      | 2      |
| Selbury & Barrett-Golch                | 0      | 2      |
| Anderson & Calvert                     | 0      | 2      |
| Smith & Matthews-Cleland               | 0      | 2      |
| Snow                                   | 0      | 2      |
| Baynes & Woodward-Selbury              | 0      | 2      |
| Macpherson & Stablesford-Kay           | 0      | 2      |
| Low                                    | 0      | 2      |
| Afternoon Total                        | 8 1/2  | 19 1/2 |
| Morning Total                          | 18 1/2 | 12 1/2 |
| Grand Total                            | 18 1/2 | 31 1/2 |

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